

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Pinay's Task

THE political opponents of M. Mendes-France may feel they have done the French nation a good turn by bringing about the fall of the government, but to the Western world—and West Europe in particular—the event is demoralizing, even embarrassing.

Prime need at the moment is for France to ratify the Paris treaties, but it is difficult to avoid the belief that this legislative action could be jeopardized by the emergence at this time of a new government.

M. Pinay has agreed to try to form a new Cabinet and there is no special reason for believing he will fail. But Cabinet-making is one thing, offering a policy acceptable to the majority of the National Assembly is another. The problems which confront M. Pinay are no less than those which beset M. Mendes-France and finally brought about his downfall.

The new Premier-elect has to win the confidence of the Assembly on his proposals for dealing with the French North Africa problem, and because of his preoccupation with this subject it is conceivable that further consideration of the Paris treaties ratification will have to be postponed. And this would give the opponents of the treaties, especially the Communists, new opportunities for a high pressure publicity campaign to have the pacts repudiated.

French political stability at the moment is essential for guaranteeing the future security of West Europe. M. Pinay, therefore, is assuming heavy responsibilities. A dangerous vacuum could be created if a new French government, with a well-defined mandate, fails to come into being. M. Pinay has to win support for policies covering a wide field of national and international interests. There will be no shortage of friendly sympathy for him in his task, and he will win the admiration of the Western world if he can devise a formula which will enable him successfully to complete the undertakings which his predecessor so skillfully initiated.

Tachen Evacuation

EVACUATION of the Tachen Islands is in hand and the predominant question in the minds of everybody is whether the Chinese Communists are going to allow it to proceed without challenging the guardianship of the American Seventh Fleet.

The possibility of Communist action which could precipitate a general war cannot be ruled out. Nevertheless, the realities of the situation should be sufficient to persuade the Peking government to hold its hand. The two all-important points are these: the Nationalist evacuation gives the Tachens to the Communists on a silver platter, wherefore they gain nothing by interfering with the operation. And any serious challenging of the Seventh Fleet, resulting in a shooting match, would almost inevitably lead to a wider conflagration.

If the Peking government allows itself to be ruled by sanity, it will not only avoid any attempt to prevent the evacuation of the Tachens, but will accept it with satisfaction.

FORMOSA

Princess Starts Tour



Princess Margaret stands smiling in the doorway of the plane which carried her to Port of Spain on the first part of her Caribbean islands tour, as she bade farewell to the Queen and other members of the Royal Family at London Airport.—Reuterphoto.

Father Is
Accused Of
Abduction

Tacoma, Washington, Feb. 6.

A father and the son he was charged with kidnapping in a seaplane flight from Canada to the United States turned up here today and agreed everything was all right—as far as they were concerned.

Everything was not all right, however, as far as the boy's mother was concerned. She filed an abduction charge against the father and it appeared that an international legal squabble was brewing.

Gordon Byrne said that, under the terms of a Washington State Court ruling made in 1947, he had custody of Kenneth, 13, and Ellen, 15. His former wife, now Mrs. Winnifred Clark, said a Canadian Court had given her custody of the children.

"Now that the boy's here, he's mine," declared the father today.

SEARCH FOR COUPLE

An international search was launched yesterday for the son and Byrne, who has been divorced from Mrs. Clark for 11 years. Byrne went to his children's school near Lillooet, British Columbia, on Wednesday and took Kenneth away with him. He said his daughter might come here too.

Byrne went to the Canadian city on a float-equipped chartered seaplane and landed on Seaton Lake. He said he talked to the children and let them make up their own minds whether they wanted to live with him and his present wife in Tacoma.

Ellen first said she would leave with him on Wednesday, he said, and then said she wanted to think it over longer. "I'll meet her at the border if she wants to come," said her father.

Kenneth verified his father's story that he had left Lillooet voluntarily to be with his father, whom he had not seen in nine years.—United Press.

Treaty With Chiang

Dulles
To
Explain

Washington, Feb. 6. The Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, is scheduled to appear before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee tomorrow to answer questions on the implications of the new Mutual Security Treaty with the Chinese Nationalist Government on Formosa.

Several members of the committee are critical of its implied commitments beyond the immediate defence of Formosa and are anxious to get Mr. Dulles' explanations in view of the dangerous China-Formosa situation.

The proposed treaty would be debated in a private afternoon session in the wake of a new air clash over the Yellow Sea between United States and Communist planes and the dispatch of the Seventh Fleet to protect the evacuation of Chinese Nationalist troops from the Tachen Islands, 200 miles north of Formosa.

DEBATING POINTS

Under the treaty, the United States undertakes to defend Formosa and the Pescadores Islands and "such other territories as may be determined by mutual agreement."

This is expected to revive arguments over whether the United States should extend protection to the Nationalist-held offshore islands of Quemoy and Matsu, close to the mainland.

Another argument presented by critics is that its ratification by the Senate would be equivalent to recognizing Formosa as Chinese territory and would work to the advantage of the Communists.

Senator John Sparkman, Democrat, chairman of a Far Eastern sub-committee, has said he may ask Mr. Dulles' opinions on the effect on the island of Formosa's status.—Reuter.

\$15,000 Worth Of
Jewellery Found

Liverpool, Feb. 6. Police throughout the country were tonight trying to trace the owner of £15,000 worth of jewellery recovered in a swoop on a stationary car near the famous Aintree race track here today.

Police believe the jewellery may be the proceeds of a robbery at a country house near London recently.—China Mail Special.

Proposal To Peking
Reported
INTERNATIONAL PARLEY

Peking, Feb. 6.

Western diplomatic circles indicated tonight that the Swedish Embassy here has transmitted to Premier Chau En-lai a proposal for an international conference to solve the grave Formosa crisis.

These indications came as Foreign Ministry officials conferred on the Formosa issue under a complete news blackout. Official spokesmen refused to make any comment on the Foreign Ministry's deliberations.

Since the Chinese refusal last week to send a representative to the United Nations Security Council to discuss the Formosa question the Peking Government has affirmed repeatedly that its attitude remains unchanged.

This attitude can be summed up as follows: Communist China will refuse to take part in any conference to obtain a ceasefire unless such a conference is prepared to condemn the "aggressive attitude of the United States in supporting the Chinese Nationalists."

The official Chinese Communist Party newspaper, the People's Daily, confirmed anew today that Peking would not participate in any conference in which the Chiang Kai-shek government is represented and would reject any solution which

obliged Communist China to abandon its plan to "liberate" Formosa.

Official Chinese quarters declare repeatedly that a final attack on Formosa is perhaps not imminent, but that it is inevitable.—France-Press.

Private Diplomacy Favoured

Washington, Feb. 6. Washington is now looking to private diplomacy rather than to public debate in the United Nations or elsewhere for the next step in efforts to end the present hostilities in the area of Formosa.

Despite the intensified diplomatic activity between both Communist and non-Communist diplomats in Moscow, London and Washington, observers said that there might now be a substantial pause before any new proposal for a ceasefire agreement was publicly put forward from any quarter.

The United Nations Security Council has, however, still formally before it the New Zealand proposal for a ceasefire even though Communist China has refused to discuss it. The representatives of the United States, New Zealand and Britain, who were instrumental in launching that proposal, are expected to consult early this week on what action to take.

They have yet to decide whether to press their ceasefire proposal to a vote, despite the certainty of a Soviet veto.

The nature of the Communist Chinese rejection of the United Nations advances has made it very difficult for the Eisenhower

administration to support any second approach to Communist China without being accused in Congress or elsewhere of a servile and appeasing attitude.

But there were reports today that the United Nations Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, was still expecting a personal reply from the Chinese Communist Premier, Mr. Chou En-lai, to a personal message which Mr. Hammarskjöld sent him when the Chinese Nationalist off-shore islands of Quemoy and Matsu under all circumstances.

The announcement repeated only the deliberately vague slogan Formosan resolution on this subject and left the United States freedom of both military and diplomatic manoeuvre according to the needs of the United States twin basic objectives of keeping Formosa and the Pescadores themselves in friendly hands and of seeking peace and security in the Western Pacific.

The State Department announcement also gave as the objective of the evacuation of the Tachen Islands a contribution to "the restoration of peace and security in the West Pacific."—Reuter.

UN Considers Next Step

New York, Feb. 6. Consultations will continue at United Nations headquarters tomorrow on the next step the Security Council may be asked to take in the Formosa situation.

Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, the United States delegate, who spent the weekend in Washington, is expected to inform other members of the Council on the talks he had on Saturday with President Eisenhower. The question to be decided is whether the Council should be

asked to go ahead with the New Zealand proposal to call for a ceasefire despite the Chinese Communist rejection of the invitation to take part in talks in the subject.

Washington dispatches have said that the disposition there is to proceed with the ceasefire call.

The alternative is to call a meeting of the Council briefly take note of the Chinese Communist rejection and then adjourn to wait for peace deve-

lopments, possibly outside the United Nations.

It is almost certain that in the absence of the Chinese Communist, the Soviet Union would veto a ceasefire call made by the Council.

A decision one way or another on the Council's next step is expected to be announced in the next few days by Dr. Victor A. Belandiere of Peru, who is President of the Council for February.

It would seem that the earliest the Council can meet is next Wednesday.—Reuter.

Eden's Busy Week-End

London, Feb. 6. The British Foreign Secretary, Sir Anthony Eden, is to report on week-end developments in the Formosa Straits situation at the final meeting of the Commonwealth Premiers here tomorrow evening.

Sir Anthony, who spent the first part of the week-end at a country residence with the Indian Premier, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, rejoined—with Mr. Nehru the other Commonwealth statesmen at Sir Winston Churchill's official country residence, Chequers, earlier today and was back in London this evening.

It was understood here that Sir Anthony Eden and Mr. Nehru discussed the Indian Premier's plan for tackling the Formosa issue. This plan was believed to provide for an international

conference to arrange a ceasefire and a settlement for Formosa.

Diplomatic observers here pointed out that if such a plan was adopted by the Common-

wealth countries no official announcement could be made about it before a careful sounding of international opinion.—France-Press.

Bob Crosby Seriously Ill

Hollywood, Feb. 6. Band leader Bob Crosby, brother of the singer Bing Crosby, was in hospital today with a serious case of lobar pneumonia.

Crosby was stricken late Friday night and was rushed to the hospital on Saturday morning with a temperature of 104. His physician reported the band leader was much

improved today although still seriously ill.

Bing Crosby is recovering from a kidney operation. The doctor estimated that Bob would not be able to leave his bed for a week or 10 days. His daughter, Cathy, 15, postponed a scheduled trip to Lausanne, where she is to attend finishing school.—United Press.



M. PINAY

Pinay To
Form New
French
Govt

Paris, Feb. 6. President of the French Republic, M. Rene Coty, tonight asked M. Antoine Pinay, the 68-year-old Conservative ex-Premier, to form France's 21st post-war government.

M. Pinay told reporters after his interview with the President that he accepted the invitation to try and form the next government.

M. Pinay said he would immediately consult party leaders with a view to forming his cabinet and he would report back to the President in due course. He did not say how soon he would report back but it did not seem likely that M. Pinay could conclude his consultations before Tuesday.

M. Pinay said that France needed a government of all parties, prepared to unite in order to organize national defence, reinforce her alliances, introduce reforms in North Africa and expand the national economy.

M. Pinay will start his consultations for the formation of his Ministry tomorrow morning.—Reuter.

BY THURSDAY

Paris, Feb. 6. The French Premier-designate, M. Antoine Pinay, announced in a statement here on Sunday night that his Cabinet would be presented to the Assembly by Thursday at the latest.

He said that the departure of the Governor-General-designate of Algeria, M. Jacques Soustelle, would be postponed.—France-Press.

Soldiers Killed In
Car Crash

Munster, Feb. 6. Two British soldiers were killed today when the private car they were driving crashed into a tree on the road between Munster and Nienberge, German police reported.

The police said the car belonged to a German farmer who had reported it missing.—China Mail Special.

Tachen Evacuation

SCORCHED
EARTH
POLICY

Taipei, Feb. 6.

The civilian population of the Tachen Islands were tearing down their houses and stripping every bit of timber in the buildings before leaving their homes for Formosa, reports reaching here tonight said.

The reports disclosed that the dismantling started immediately after the Nationalist Authorities began on January 28 last the registration of civilians wishing to be evacuated before the Communists took over.

The authorities said the evacuation began on January 30 and would involve the entire Tachen population of 18,504. Nine elderly people and invalids were the only ones who had stated their intention not to leave their homes, but the authorities said they would be evacuated nevertheless "for humanitarian reasons."

Tachen reports said tonight the timber torn down from buildings was utilised to build four large pontoon bridges to span the shallow beaches to the evacuation ships. House walls were flattened down so as "to leave nothing standing."

This "scorched earth" policy also provided for the destruction of all cumbersome belongings which could not be taken aboard ships by the evacuees.—France-Press.

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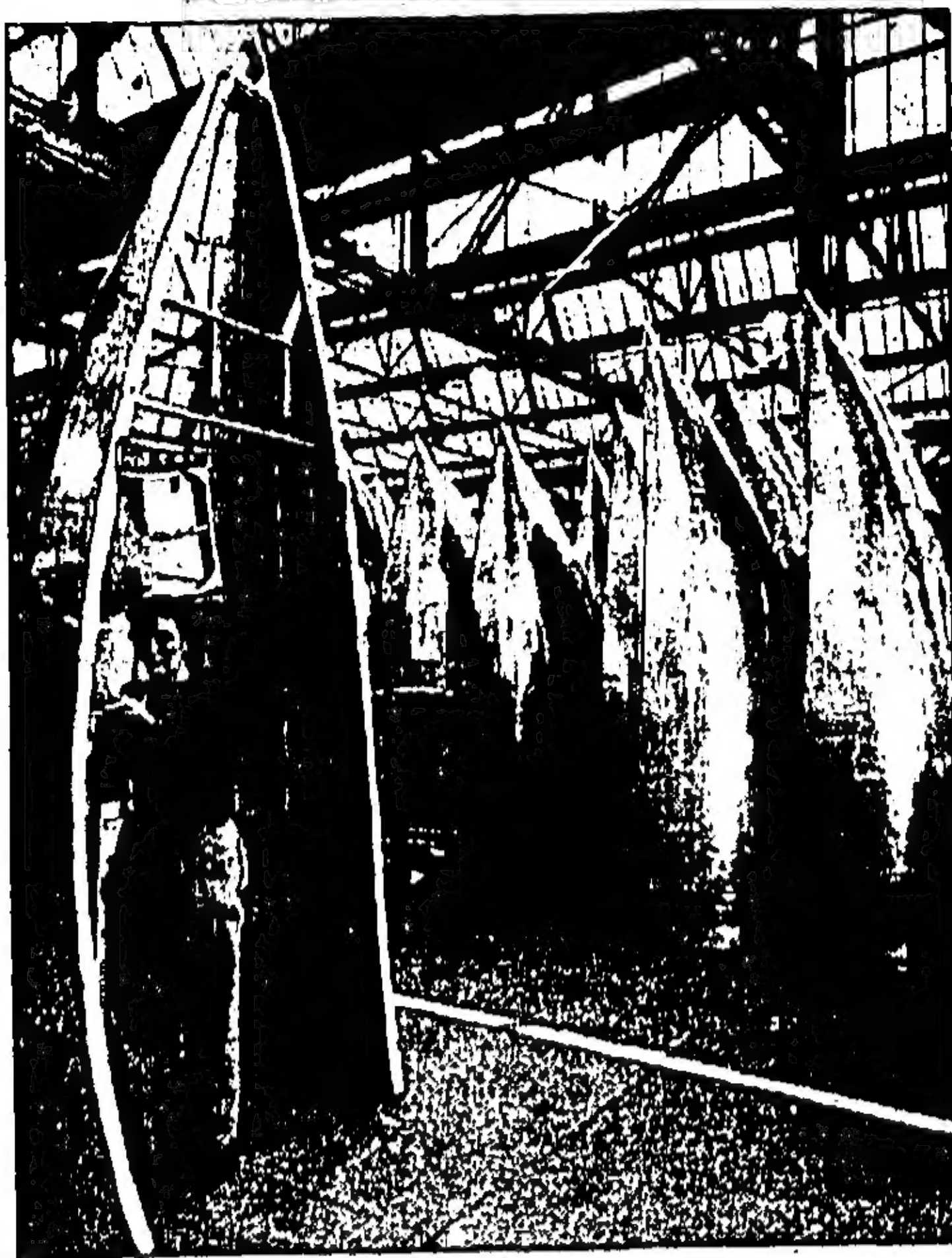
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MORE FLOODS SWEEPING THROUGH FRANCE

Paris, Feb. 6.

Driving rain sweeping over Western and Southwestern France lashed rivers of the Atlantic watershed over their banks in flood today.

A torrent of water poured down on Bordeaux from a cloud-massed sky and winds reached the 50-mph mark. The tanker Port Etienne, coming from Le Havre, limped into port with several mechanical breakdowns.

The great River Garonne, which winds all the way from the Massif Central to the sea, was again in flood and the level was rising to a height of an inch an hour. The flood crest was expected tomorrow.

HIGHWAY FLOODED
At Langon, on the Garonne's banks, the Quais were flooded and stretches of highway under water.

The Creuse River, northeast in Central France, rose six feet in 24 hours and threatened several districts in the city of Angoulême. Ten houses on its banks already have been evacuated.

The Vienne River, also flowing west from the Massif Central, was six inches above the danger mark. The river-side streets of Catelet were under water.

Householders living along the Sevre Nantaise River prepared to leave their homes, and at Poitiers the Clon River, normally a placid stream, pushed itself up at the rate of six inches an hour. City dwellers cleared out of the ground floors of their houses and flood waters cut the principal road between Paris and Bordeaux.

Everywhere the rivers were still rising, although local authorities hoped most crests would be reached by tomorrow. —United Press.

T.S. Eliot Better

London, Feb. 7.

Mr T. S. Eliot, the 60-year-old poet and playwright, who entered a London clinic about a fortnight ago for a rest, is going home today, the clinic said last night.

Nine months ago Mr Eliot was in the clinic for a "complete rest" after a visit to South Africa. —China Mail Special.

Munich Honours Americans

Munich, Feb. 6.

Munich streets have been named after the following Americans: John D. Rockefeller, who gave funds to build the psychiatric research centre here; Samuel Finley Morse, the inventor of telegraphy; Ralph Waldo Emerson, a poet who translated Goethe and Kant; William Penn, founder of Pennsylvania; and Peter Minuit, first man to buy land from the American Indians. Left Erikson, a Norseman who landed in America 500 years before, is also remembered in this way. —Reuters.

FOR PACT

Unanimous Vote In Lower House PREMIER'S VICTORY

Baghdad, Feb. 6.

Premier Nuri al Said of Iraq won unanimous approval from the Lower House here today during a six-hour debate on the Turco-Iraqi Mutual Defence Pact.

His long speech was punctuated with rounds of applause from all the benches and afterwards he shook hands with many deputies, including the six Opposition members.

The House, which also heard speeches from Vice-Premier Ahmed Muktar Baban and former Premier Fadel Jamali, was unanimous in condemning Egypt's policy and supporting the Turco-Iraqi pact.

GALLERIES PACKED
Diplomatic representatives of Syrian, Jordan and the Lebanon were among the diplomats present. The public galleries were packed. Political observers here said tonight the Government did not extend outside the walls of the Assembly. The extra-Parliamentary opposition to the Turco-Iraqi Pact is still strong, but laws on the press and on public gatherings have disarmed this opposition.

Observers here did not expect any public demonstration against the Government's policy. In Cairo the last scheduled meeting of the current Inter-Arab Conference ended this evening after a day of great diplomatic activity and persistent reports of internal crises coming from Jordan and Syria.

The only statement after the conference came from an Egyptian delegate who said his country would not quit the Arab League — a move that had been threatened if Iraq went through with her plan for a defensive alliance with Turkey. Nor would she leave the Arab collective Security Pact, he said.

Egypt had objected to the proposed Iraq-Turkey treaty on the grounds that it cut across the Arab Pact.

Right up to tonight's meeting the Lebanese Premier, Sami el Solh, had tried to persuade Lieutenant-General Gamal Abdel Nasser, Prime Minister of Egypt, to meet General Nuri al Said, Premier of Iraq, to solve their differences. — France-Press & Reuters.

British Air Marshal May Stay In Denmark

Copenhagen, Feb. 6.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Saunders, who is advising the Danish Government in the re-organisation of the Danish Air Force, will probably be invited to extend his stay in Denmark after his contract expires in March.

Working quietly behind the scenes in the Defence Ministry, the Air Marshal has, in a few months, transformed the spirit of the air force, which was suffering from poor morale, open disagreements between leading officers and an alarming number of accidents.

Since Sir Hugh took over, the accident rate has dropped sharply and the spirit of increased flying has been restored.

This is attributed to better control at the airfields and more thorough training of pilots. The final plans for the re-organisation of the Danish Air Force are now being drafted and it is expected that the Air Marshal will be invited to see the work through and to take part in any adjustments later found necessary. —Reuters.

Stole Flowers From Grave

Maitland, N.S.W., Feb. 6.

Answering to a charge of having stolen flowers from a cemetery grave John Frederick Fowen, 42-year-old labourer told the Maitland Court he had gone out to get some flowers for his wife, but had got drunk and was scared that his wife would give him "a roasting" if he returned home without them.

Imposing a fine of £255 (£28 sterling) Stipendiary Magistrate F. R. Wood described the theft as the lowest and most contemptible he could think of. — China Mail Special.

WORLD CALENDAR PROPOSAL

Philadelphia, Feb. 6.

A world calendar designed to meet the complex timetable of the modern world was introduced at the Fels Planetarium here.

The new calendar would solve the difficulties of the businessman, statesman and of course the absent-minded husband by bringing order to the calendar year. Dr I. M. Levitt, Director of the Planetarium at the Franklin Institute, said.

Dr Levitt said that the world calendar would not violate the "calendar sense" since it would always remain the same. Advantages of the new calendar were:

The half-years are of equal length, each 182 days; the quarters are of equal length, each 91 days. Each quarter has a 31-day month to start, two 30-day months to follow, and has 13 weeks which will bring equal working periods during the four quarters.

A BOON

Each month has 26 working days, a boon to the working man and business. Contrary to the present calendar, which was 365-1/3 days in the year and is 11 minutes longer than the actual year, the new calendar has 364 days.

An extra day would be added at the end of each December to make the calendar conform to the actual year. During Leap Year an additional day would be added to the month of June. —Reuters.

Tokyo, Feb. 7.

More than one million Japanese families are unable to support themselves by any form of work, the Welfare Ministry reports.

The Ministry says that of these, 820,000 are families of widows with children and 130,000 households where there are only children.

The Ministry reports that 3,150,000 families in Japan or nearly 20 per cent of the population "face" livelihood difficulties. —Reuters.

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NICARAGUA WARNS COSTA RICA

Managua, Nicaragua, Feb. 6. The Nicaraguan President, Senor Anastasio Somoza, today warned Costa Rica that air incursions over Nicaragua could lead to war between the two republics.

The President said that Costa Rican aircraft had "strafed and bombed" Nicaraguan territory during the recent operations against Costa Rican rebels in the Los Chiles region.

He added that his Government would protest to Costa Rica and to the Organisation of American States against what he termed "a new violation of Nicaraguan air space."

The Costa Rican Government of President Jose Figueres was responsible for the critical situation arising from these "repeated attacks on Nicaragua's sovereignty and territorial integrity," Somoza said. "If a single drop of Nicaraguan blood were shed, it might cause a war between our two countries," he concluded.—France-Press.

Syrian Cabinet Resigns

Cairo, Feb. 6. The Syrian Cabinet of Fares el Khouri has resigned after under four months in office, according to Cairo reports today. Diplomatic sources said this is likely to have a bearing on the Arab Premier's talks here trying to end the Iraqi-Egypt differences over the proposed Turco-Iraqi defence pact.—Reuter.

P. & O. Commodore

London, Feb. 6. Captain G. C. Forrest, who has commanded the 29,734-ton liner Arcadia since January 1954, has been appointed Commodore of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, it was announced today.—China Mail Special.

Outbreaks Of Violence Anticipated Following Mr France's Downfall

Algiers, Feb. 6.

The fall of Premier Pierre Mendes-France resounded throughout French North Africa today and reactions ranged from apprehension to angry regret.

In Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia alike, both French and Arabs waited fearfully for outbreaks of violence which they anticipate as a result of the Premier's overthrow. Observers here said that nationalists in all three countries had more confidence in M. Mendes-France than in any premier since the war.

The Tunisian Premier, Tahar ben Ammar, himself called on the fallen Premier today in Paris in an exceptional mark of sympathy.

Snake Hiss Not Allowed In Frog Jump Contest

Margate, Natal, Feb. 6. Margate's frog population will be puzzled by some strange new voices croaking around them during Hibernic Week in May. There will be frogs from California, England, Malaya, Sumatra, Australia, Java and Central Africa.

Whether to be a big frog in a small pond or a small frog in a big pond will be a question the Margate frogs can discuss from their minds.

For all South African frogs are being challenged in their own little pond by all the world's frogs—the biggest, the bravest and the nimblest.

Realising the need for strict control in so important a competition, the Margate authorities have drawn up a set of rules one of which reads:

"It is particularly forbidden to imitate the hiss of a snake either vocally or mechanically immediately behind a frog that is preparing to jump."

The regulations make it clear, however, that the owners are permitted to induce their entrants to jump by means of tickling with a grass stalk, banging on a tin, or a gentle admonition like "Jump for Mummy, please."—China Mail Special.

No Co-existence In Zoo

Berlin, Feb. 7. "Swampy," an American alligator in the aquarium here, refused to co-exist with two Chinese crocodiles. He was given to the aquarium by the United States Sixth Infantry when he grew too big to be a mascot. When placed in the crocodiles' tank he immediately attacked his neighbours. He was put in solitary confinement, but Berlin children, with whom he is a great favourite, demanded to see him again. So the crocodiles have been evicted and Swampy now has their tank himself.—China Mail Special.

BIG GAME BEING SHOT OUT

Arusha, Tanganyika, Feb. 6. Africa's big game—lion, elephant, rhino and giraffe—is in danger of being wiped out by trophy-hungry tourists from Europe and America, according to farmers and hunters here.

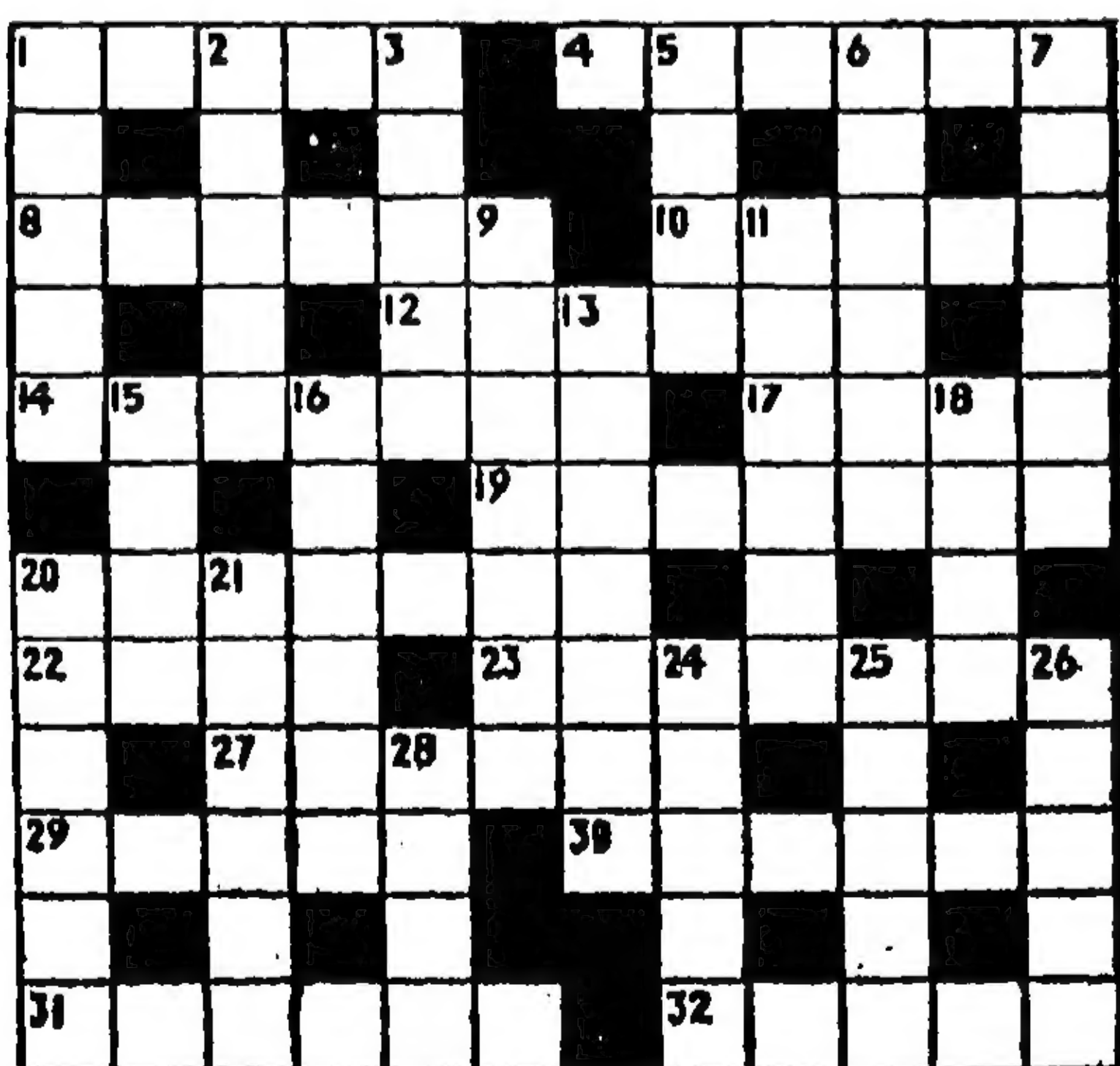
"There won't be any game left in Tanganyika unless we stop these trophy-hungry tourists from Kenya," one of them said. The trouble is that American tourists are unwilling to hunt in the Mau Mau country of Kenya and are flocking to Tanganyika.

This year the number of hunting parties is expected to double that of last year. Tourism has been bringing an average of about £5,000,000 sterling a year to East Africa, and much of it is from hunters. The sudden influx towards Tanganyika has had a marked effect on territory game.

FOUR KILLED IN SHIP EXPLOSION

El Ferrol, Spain, Feb. 6. The Costa Rican freighter Darnel arrived today with four crewmen dead from a boiler explosion a few days ago, when she was 300 miles from El Ferrol. The Darnel had said by radio that five other crewmen were injured.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



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| ACROSS | DOWN |
| 1 7 res (5). | 1 Treated medicinally (6). |
| 2 Live (6). | 2 Noblemen (5). |
| 3 Extend (6). | 3 Lean (6). |
| 4 Sacred figures (5). | 4 Tale of heroism (4). |
| 5 Rogue (6). | 5 Chinese labourer (6). |
| 6 Fruit course (7). | 6 Follows (6). |
| 7 Pleasant (4). | 7 Most gloomy (7). |
| 8 Canine quarters (7). | 8 Gun (6). |
| 9 Sailor (7). | 9 Unfruitful (7). |
| 10 Before long (4). | 10 Dash (4). |
| 11 Mean (7). | 11 Glisten (6). |
| 12 Determine (6). | 12 Musical symbol (4). |
| 13 Letting contract (6). | 13 Hammer (6). |
| 14 Printing mistakes (6). | 14 String of prayer beads (6). |
| 15 Attempting (6). | 15 Microbes (6). |
| 16 Grim (5). | 16 Angry (5). |
| | 17 Long for (5). |
| | 18 Bird (4). |

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3. Emphatic, 8. Room, 9. Analogue, 11. Preclude, 13. Dely, 15. Cosmology, 16. Retire, 18. Atom, 21. Assured, 25. Mutinuous, 26. Fine, 27. Desisted. Down: 1. Prop, 2. Joke, 4. Menu, 5. Halo, 6. Taste, 7. Cushy, 9. Alter, 10. Admit, 12. Hoast, 14. Fence, 16. Tense, 17. Cider, 19. Armed, 20. Oath, 21. Ante, 22. Spro, 23. Trip, 24. Deem.

The Cabinet crisis has interrupted negotiations for Tunisia home rule, which M. Mendes-France pledged the protection last summer in a dramatic visit to Tunisia.

A spokesman for the Nationalist Front today openly declared "the situation, but announced that his Party expected the next government of France to stick to M. Mendes-France's promises.

In Algeria, the most important of France's African territories and legally a part of France itself, much the same feeling was prevalent.

Dr. A. Ait, first Vice-President of the Algerian Assembly, said demands for more Muslim rights in Algeria would be pressed no matter what government existed.

"Governments pass, but France remains," he said. "We are used to changes. But the loss of M. Mendes-France has given birth to hope in North Africa."

Dr Adenauer Confident

Bonn, Feb. 6. Dr Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor, said in a nation-wide broadcast today he was convinced that the fall of the French Government would not have an adverse effect on the Paris treaties.

The treaties, signed last October, return a sovereign West Germany within the Atlantic alliance.

Dr Adenauer said he was sure a new French Government would follow the policies of its predecessor and secure quick ratification of the treaties.

He appealed to Germans not to be led astray by overtures from the Soviet Union. He discounted the Soviet threat that ratification would slam the door on talks on German reunification.

WITHOUT DELAY
The Federal Committee of his Christian Democratic Union, consisting of 120 delegates from local party organisations followed Dr Adenauer's words by unanimously accepting a resolution calling for ratification of the Paris treaties in West Germany "without delay."

In Dortmund, the Social Democratic opposition leader, Herr Erich Ollenhauer, told the audience of 20,000 people that the Government should appreciate the effect the fall of M. Pierre Mendes-France, the French Premier, would have on the treaties.

He said there was no good reason to rush them through Parliament now that Paris might reject them. The Social Democratic Party wants East-West talks on German unity before any rearmament.

But the Christian Democrats at the Federal Committee meeting here instructed party deputies in the Bundestag (lower house)—who have an absolute majority—to go ahead with the second and third readings of the treaties on February 24, 25 and 26 as originally planned.

The Committee elected Dr Robert Tillmanns, 58, a Bundestag deputy from Berlin, as Deputy Party Chairman after Dr Adenauer. Dr Tillmanns, who succeeds the late Dr Hermann Ehlers, takes particular interest in the cause of German unity.

Dr Adenauer told the Committee in his broadcast speech that Germans should not take a single step of the so-called Soviet threat that talks on German unity would be impossible if the treaties were ratified.

ADVANTAGEOUS
The Soviet Union would negotiate when it considered it advantageous just as it issued threats when it thought something was to be gained by them, he said.

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Princess Beatrix, eldest daughter of Queen Juliana of the Netherlands, performed her first solo public engagement recently when she launched the new 31,000-ton Dutch tanker Vasu. The Princess is seen reading her speech prior to the launching. As the ship moved down the slipway she waved her bouquet above her head with excitement.—Express Photo.

Dr Garbett Honoured

London, Feb. 6. Queen Elizabeth has appointed Dr Cyril Garbett, Archbishop of York, to be a Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order to mark his 80th birthday today.

Honours in the Order are granted for personal services to the Sovereign. The Archbishop received birthday messages of congratulation from the Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh and Sir Winston Churchill.—China Mail Special.

Wellington, N.Z., Feb. 6. A 20-month-old baby girl in Christchurch has been fitted with artificial legs on which she can toddle about like almost any other normal children of her age. She was born with only partial legs and no hands.

Although she still has no "hands" fitted, the little girl is very adroit with her wrists and can pick up objects, eat and do many other little things.—China Mail Special.

Russian Trap For Americans In Vienna Cafe

Vienna, Feb. 6.

The American Embassy here tonight issued a statement charging Soviet officials with setting a trap to implicate two Americans.

The official statement replied to a Russian note last night which said the two Americans, Robert Gray and Colonel Francis Manning, had tried to bribe a Soviet Consul, B. J. Nalivaiko, to defect to the Americans.

The American statement said Nalivaiko lured the Americans into a cafe last night by saying he wanted to apply for political asylum.

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When they met on Thursday at the Russian's request he asked Gray how political asylum could be arranged as he said he was in serious difficulties with the

Soviet authorities. Gray arranged the meeting with Colonel Manning for Saturday night.

LEFT VIENNA
The American note said Gray and Colonel Manning left Vienna after the investigation today.

American officials said they had no idea what was behind the Soviet action.—Reuter.

Author's Concern For Asiatics

New York, Feb. 6.

The author, James Michener, today announced the establishment of a "Fund for Asia," a non-profit organisation, "as an expression of the concern of the American People for their Asian friends."

Mr Michener, whose stories of the South Pacific were made into the smash musical of that name, said in a statement that the group would "carry on programmes for better understanding by the American people of the problems of our Asian friends and to encourage private efforts to assist in meeting the needs of our friends in Asia."

"Half of the people of the world live in Asia," said Mr Michener. "They will become

an increasingly important factor in the determination of humanity's future. The American people can no longer afford to regard Asia as a far-off continent whose fate need not concern us."

Mr Michener, who is president of the new organisation, said it would not maintain any personnel in Asia, "but will seek to encourage and support other American groups now operating there."—United Press.

WARM WELCOME FOR PRINCESS IN GRENADA

St Georges, Grenada, Feb. 6.

Princess Margaret arrived today at the lovely sugar and spice island of Grenada in the Windward Islands, third stop on her month's tour of the British West Indies.

Ships sirens, church bells and cheers from the crowd lining the picturesque waterfront greeted the Princess as she stepped ashore from the Royal Yacht Britannia.

The sun was shining brilliantly though only 20 minutes earlier a rain shower sent the crowds rushing to shelter.

The Princess was wearing a dress of blonde silk, embroidered with scalloped sleeves. The original neckline was high and rounded with a bib or plastron.

ROYAL BLUE
Her small white hat had a ribbon of royal blue and she wore a pearl necklace.

Buildings fronting the beautiful harbour were decked with flags. The streets through which she later rode were brightened with coloured streamers and arches featuring the green foliage of the island.

The Princess was welcomed by the Governor of the Windward Islands, Sir Edward Beetham, and by the Chairman of the St Georges District Board, who read an address of welcome.

A copy of the address, bound in mahogany covers, bearing the Colony's crest was presented to the Princess.

A 21-gun salute was fired from Fort Georges, dominating the harbour, as the Britannia arrived after a night cruise from Tobago, the "Robinson Crusoe" island.

Princess Margaret waved to hundreds of islanders, many of them in an armada of small craft in the harbour, as she approached the landing stage. There two men dressed in picturesque white, black, yellow and red uniforms with the long tasseled hats of an old West Indian Regiment, stood at attention.

SIXTH VISITOR
Princess Margaret is the sixth Royal visitor to Grenada. The first was Prince William Henry, third son of King George Third, who came to the island 108 years ago.

Cheers resounded through the island capital, with its cloud-shrouded mountains in the background, as she drove to St George's Anglican Church for a thanksgiving service.

The Lord Bishop of the Windward Islands, the Rt Rev. Norman Shipley, welcomed her to the crowded

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To-morrow: Anthony Quinn in "THE LONG WAIT"

ANNE SHARPLEY draws up a profit and loss forecast on the eve of a boom season for London coming-out parties

BUMPER YEAR FOR DEBS

"A BUMPER year for deb's," a voice solemnly forecasts from the Lord Chamberlain's office, where the applications for this year's presentation parties are being "vetted."

A "bumper" crop. More they believe than Coronation Year, when at least 700 girls made their debut. The reason? Because the Queen, after missing last year's presentations, will once more be taking the deb's curtsies this March.

The Clarks hired Hutchings House, and there were 800 to 900 people present.

Lady Clark's comment: "I thought it was a waste of time."

The Brunners were able to use the 40ft. drawing-room and large garden of their home in Kensington for their daughter's coming-out ball, at which there were 400 guests.

One "economy" that kept the Brunner budget at around £1,000 was a cut in the clothes bill by having one simple white satin ball dress over which went a series of different "addresses."

Own Clothes

Two of 1955's "Mums," however, don't agree that £1,000 need be spent.

Mrs Cecil Madden, wife of the TV chef, says "considerably less" for the launching of her daughter, Muriel ("she's very fair and very stylish," says her mother).

Sharing a dance in the country with another girl will cut down the main expense, says Mrs Madden, and adds that her daughter (who is studying stage acting) will make all her own clothes.

"Absolutely nothing at all will be spent," is the resolution of Mrs Patricia Marlowe, wife of Mr. Anthony Marlowe, MP, for the launching of her second daughter, Julia.

"When my daughter Pixie (now Mrs Lynn Balfour Paul) came out in 1950 we spent nothing, yet she seemed to go to all the parties just the same."

"There will simply be occasional dance tickets and taxi fares, and of course, Julia makes her own clothes."

"She refuses to go to Queen Charlotte's Ball as she doesn't want to curtsy to a cake, but she will go to everything else."

Best Friend

But it is "Mums" who largely count in this semi-stately whirl of debutante rivalry.

Apart from the initial endowment of looks and personality, it is Mum indisputably, who is a deb's best friend—plotter, planner and protector.

And to some of the Mums of 1955 I offer the views of two of the Mums of 1954 on this year's big question.

"Can she be launched for less than £1,000?" (Recollecting that 1954's most-launched deb, Australian Barbara Stanley Smith spent more than £10,000 on her coming-out ball alone.)

No. So say Sir Andrew and Lady Clark who put the figure at more than £2,000 for 1954's coming-out season of their younger daughter, Susan.

Yes. Or just a little over, says the most-triumphant Mum of 1954, Mrs Patrick Brunner, whose daughter, April, was voted Deb of the Year.

Knock-out item on the deb account is the "coming-out" ball.

In The Swim

Just what do the parents get out of a daughter's season?

Mostly the pleasure of seeing her "in the swim" (and the cash distinction of being able to keep her aloft).

And what do the daughters get out of it?

First and foremost, friends. "Of course," adds Lady Clark, "one also meets an awful lot of people one never wants to see again."

Does a deb expect to marry? No. The days when a deb was supposed to step straight into Debutant seem to have gone.

Of the 1954 deb's only two, Miss Carol Carr and Miss Tilly Laycock, have announced their engagements and neither of these matches can be attributed to the London season.



"IS THAT CHAPMAN PINCHER?"

London Express Service

THAT NIGHT AT SUTTON COLDFIELD

By J. W. TAYLOR

London. FROM the tragedy, death and destruction of the Sutton Coldfield train disaster, have emerged stories which, in the words of Mr J. A. Brown, district secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, "showed that the cream of human kindness overflowed through that night."

There were those scores of men and women with homes in the vicinity of the scene of the crash who jumped walls, scrambled through railings and wire and rolled down embankment sides to start the rescue work. One man with them sized up the position of trying to work in the gathering gloom and raced off to a nearby funeral site managed by a relative. There he "commandeered" the big generator and batteries of lights used to illuminate the fairground and had them transported to the line-side. Throughout the night the rescuers toiled in the light of the funeral lamps.

All over the disaster area, shocked and slightly injured passengers waded into the wreckage and pulled out scores of trapped passengers until the full force of other helpers, including doctors, nurses, police and firemen, who worked ceaselessly throughout the night, was felt. Then other kindly helpers persuaded the earlier ones to go to the emergency rest centres, which had been set up in the vicinity of station and line-side.

THOUSANDS OF FAGS

There was, for example, the Birmingham tool makers' director who was giving a helping hand and continually hearing the request: "Get a cigarette, friend? I ran out ages ago." He hurried away and soon returned with 6,000 "smokes," which he proceeded to distribute in packets amongst the rescuers needing them, with a few here and there for a newly-rescued trapped victim. Then he drove away in his car—without a "fag" left for himself.

Gallantry abounded, particularly that of two people who first averted further possible disaster before joining in the rescue operations. Mrs Marjorie Fairley, of Sutton Coldfield, nearly the crash whilst pointing her line-side house and ran towards a signal box, waving and shouting to the driver of an approaching express. It was slowing up, for the signals were set at danger by railway fireman Derek Smith, of Little Over, Derby. He was a passenger in the wrecked train. Despite head injuries received when he was hurled through the carriage window, he ran to a locked signal box, forced a way in and operated the signals. Both he and Mrs Fairley returned to the scene of the crash to help rescue workers.

STATION STREET

Passengers who were able to leave the scene unaided, but were numbed and shocked, will always remember the kindly people of Station Street. They took them into their houses, gave them rest, food and drink and free telephone calls to all parts of the country, to reassure anxious relatives as to their safety.

The overflow was directed to scores of neighbouring houses where hospitality was equally generous. A nearby caterer kept his establishment open for 18 hours non-stop, and anyone who didn't happen to have the money didn't have to worry.

Many of the meals eaten by the rescue workers came from the elaborate kitchens of one of Birmingham's leading hotels. There the head chef and his full staff worked overtime to supply meals in batches of 200.

This version by DAVID LEWIN continues tomorrow with advice on How to Deal with Dames

Ph..f..f..f..t

The maddening, gay film that gave a new word to the language comes to you as serial by David Lewin

MY name is Charlie—Charlie Nelson. I'm a large, happy man—the sort you find standing in the corner of a bar buying a round of drinks.

Some people say good old Charlie. Some people say I am also the man who started this Ph..f..f..f..t business.

If it hadn't been for me, Robert and Nina would never have met. I introduced them. I saw them through their marriage.

And I saw their marriage go Ph..f..f..f..t. And I saw what happened after that too.

It began back in the war when I saw a lieutenant in the Navy—Public Relations Command. Nifty uniform; gold braid; an office in New York. The office address, not that it's important, was 90, Church Street, and we called those days the battle of good old Church Street. Someone in the building—on the third floor, I think—had actually seen a ship once.

Robert—Robert Tracy—was a nice quiet fellow who worked in an office next to mine. He was a lawyer by training and he did a great job for the Navy during the war. He specialised in income tax returns, and he saved the Navy 750,000 dollars.

Then, one day, the admiral sent for me and said he wanted me to look after a young writer who was coming over from the radio station to find a Navy hero and do a programme about him. "Find her a hero," ordered the admiral.

So I thought I'd do Robert a favour by handing her over to him.

She came to the office and introduced herself. Nina Chapman. She was blonde, attractive, with a jumper and a notebook and neatly sharpened pencils.

I told Robert that he was detailed to be a hero that day. He didn't seem to like the idea very much since he had never been to sea, let alone heard a gun fired in anger.

He gave me an argument at first until I finally had to pull rank. "Look here, Robert," I said, "I am forced to remind you I am in command here. So, Lieutenant Tracy—I order you to be a hero."

Nina Chapman came in and sat down with her notebook at the ready. I said to her: "I think he is just

what you want, ma'am—this man has been into the jaws of death and out again." Robert sat blinking at her with his arm in a sling and his thumb in a bandage. She looked at him and said: "May I ask you a personal question? How long has it been since you've seen a woman?"

Robert looked startled. "About 20 minutes," he said.

"Do you mind talking about your wounds—your red badge of courage," she said, looking at the sling.

Robert chuckled. "I got my finger caught in an adding machine. You see they have so few wounded here at 90, Church Street that the doctors sometimes lose their heads when they actually get a patient."

After that they got on very well together. Robert told her that he really dealt with tax returns, and he offered to look into hers if she

BEGINNING

THE DAY A HERO MET A BLONDE

would have dinner with him that night. He had quite a novel approach to taking a girl out. Robert put it this way to her: "I always say you can never get to know a person well until you've been through her cancelled cheques."

They spent that evening looking into her accounts. And they saw one another again, and again, until one night at dinner Robert made a proposal which was probably unique. He said: "I think it would be economically very sound if we were to file a joint tax return—then we'd get two tax exemptions."

Nina giggled: "But I didn't think you could do that—file a joint return—unless you were married or something."

Then she tumbled to it...and they were married.



JUDY HOLLIDAY
The Ph..f..f..f..t girl

Reds' New Strategy Threatens India

By James Wickenden

IF the Communists win the election in the south Indian state of Andhra this month, they will create the first democratically-elected Communist government in the world. For the first time Communists will come to power without stealth, rigging voting, or intimidation.

They will rule 20,000,000 people, equal to almost half the population of Britain; govern the seventh largest state in India; and strike a serious blow at Nehru's aging Congress Party. At one stroke Moscow will reach into the heart of "neutralist" Asia, for the Communist Party of India is a Soviet satellite organisation.

This shock to Asian democracy cannot fail to reverberate through the whole region more powerfully than the French collapse in Indo-China. For it will demonstrate that Communism in Asia does not exclusively rely on guerrilla war; that it has a new, deadlier weapon—open political manoeuvre.

The arena of this struggle, Andhra, is of vital significance in Asia. It is known to the peoples of China and Indo-China,

Malaya, Siam and Burma as the seat of their Buddhist faith. For it was from Andhra that the Mahayana Buddhist religion spread forth.

The existence of Andhra itself is one of India's biggest problems. It is a state born in the chaos of Nehru's idea of a non-racial nation. Nehru grudgingly agreed to its formation on the basis of a common language—Telugu—only after the one-language movement's leader had fasted to his death and civil war became imminent in 1953.

Main Centre

And it is the strongest centre of Indian Communism. It was the Andhra Branch of the Communist Party of India which launched the Red armed revolt in 1948 that was put down only after hundreds had died. The Andhra Communists still have large caches of arms hidden in the northwest Andhra, near the Hyderabad border.

Since then the Andhra Communists, led by extremist Rajeshwar Rao, have risen in the Party hierarchy to "ignite the Political Revolution." Rajeshwar has been to Moscow, where the gospel for the Communist Party of India, the CPI, was specially written in 1951.

The Tactical Line, as it is called, is based on the view that

India is a semi-colonial state whose freedom must be won by armed peasant overthrow of the government. Although modified at various times, the principle of the Tactical Line is still the doctrine of the CPI.

This is the problem and the threat which faced Nehru and the Congress Party in Andhra, where elections were scheduled. He had the choice of continuing to rule the state arbitrarily through President's rule, or of allowing democracy its chance. He chose the ballot box.

But Nehru wisely decided that the Congress Party should seek alliance with other non-Communist parties. So an electoral agreement has been formed between the Congress Party, the Socialists and the Krishak Lok (the Peasant Party).

They fight the Communists on a United Front for the 190 seats of the Andhra Assembly. Congress is putting up 130 candidates and the Communists about 175. The remaining seats will be fought for by the Socialists and Krishak Lok.

In the old Assembly the Communists held 40 seats. Most observers agree that they will win 60 seats this time. This does not, of course, give them an absolute majority. What then is the danger?

It is that the Communists will work to aggravate the worsen-

ing relations between the Congress and other parties of the United Front.

They will hope that, with their own solid bloc of 60 seats or so, they can win over the "middle group" of Socialists and Peasants from Congress, and so form their own United Front government.

This strategy is plain to see in the secret documents of the CPI which have been exposed by undercover workers from the Indian Democratic Research Service in Bombay.

Well Planned

These documents show that, although armed revolution is the ultimate aim of the CPI, united front tactics are the interim stage of the Communist climb to power. Briefly, the object is to sabotage democracy on the political level and, at the same time, build support among the peasants for the revolution to come.

The Communist united front tactics now being practised in India are far-reaching and well planned.

This is how they are likely to operate after the Andhra election: if the Communists cannot form a government, first, they will cause their violent criticism of the Socialists.

Then they will offer to form a United Front Government with them and the Peasant Party. When it is refused they will wait for three months or so.

Then they will raise the issue of land reform, or any other question which the Socialists and Peasants that at least, on this issue, they are agreed with the Communists. They will appeal to the characteristic Hindu sentiment of fighting tooth and nail over one point, while forgetting the damage it may do in the long run.

But the Communists will not put the issue to the vote. They will use this tactic as a practice run, to see what support they can command. A few months later they will repeat the process and outvote the government.

Repeated several times, this will produce chronic disorder in the administration. The Communists will hope that an angry Nehru will slap down with President's rule once more. For that will be meat for Communist propaganda, which will at once scream at "colonial imperialism."

Whatever the result of this election, therefore, it will not be the end of democratic procedure at the ballot box. It will be the beginning of new Communist political drives in South India whose effect may severely curtail Nehru's power and hamper India's economic plans.

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KMB FIND BIG GAME TIGERS BLOCKING THEIR CHAMPIONSHIP ROAD

By I. M. MacTAVISH

The speed and enthusiasm of Sing Tao's youngsters are becoming infectious. Old hands Chang Kam-hoi and Hau Yung-sang are being rejuvenated by the surge of youth that is carrying the Tigers back along the path to their former greatness.

In this lively game played at the Club Stadium yesterday these two players inspired the Sing Tao side to another thrilling display that often had the Busmen reeling right back on their heels. Some of their combined play was way ahead of anything produced by the Champions and while a scoreless draw was, in the end, a fitting result, the honours of the game go to the Tigers.

KMB played good orthodox football and demonstrated that they are a hard team to beat even when the general run of things is going against them. In fact they never lost the freshness of the offensive, even in their play that was noticeable in the week of their opponents.

From a spectator's point of view this was a grand entertainment with the result in the balance right up to the last second. Don't get any idea that KMB were ever really shut out of the game. In fact they were often in with a great chance, particularly in the second half, and only some magnificent goal-keeping by Tam Nai-huen kept the Sing Tao goal intact. But KMB did not lack a strategy. LAM had a rather tricky play as they very nearly did. The Tigers deserved their point with a goal in the more forward stages. They might have established a winning margin long before the end and collected two or three goals.

But KMB survived to play another display of complete goalkeeping by Wan Fook-kei. One thrilling drive late in the game, in fact a counter-attack, produced a goal, but the keeper kept the bigger champions.

SOUTH CHINA 5, ARMY 1

Army No Match For South China

This Army team which has suffered so many changes in recent weeks was no match for a brilliant bang-on-form South China side at Caroline Hill on Saturday. The soldiers could never match the instinctive understanding of their opponents, and the delightful man-to-man play of the South China boys wrought havoc in the Army rear lines, but the real trouble in the soldiers' side was further forward.

Against inside forwards of the class of Ho Cheung-yau and Yiu Cheuk-yin it is soccer suicide to have both wing halves going up in the attack. Higgins and Walters persisted in this move. Often the ball was returned over their heads by the South China defenders and dropped into the open space they had just vacated. This threw far too much work on to Barker, Crompton and Hayes and, well as they played, they often found themselves confronted by two unmarked men coming into the attack.

Much of the good attacking work of Higgins and Walters on the other hand was wasted on an inept forward line in which Murray was woefully slow. Middleton out of touch, and newcomer Osborne stayed out of the ball for long periods.

Lau Kin-chung making his first appearance in South China's goal had a fine debut and his courage and safe handling must have been most reassuring to the club officials. Lok Tak-hai looked fully fit after his long lay-off and Tong Sheng-ai's absence passed almost unnoticed so well did Chen Chi-kong play in the left half position.

WONDERFUL SOCCER

The power of the South China side was again on the left wing where Yiu Cheuk-yin and Mok Chun-wah played some wonderful soccer in the wide open spaces left for them in the Army right defence. Ho Cheung-yau is improving with every game and his ability to snatch a goal at a vital stage of the game makes him the danger man of the line.

Army started with a strong wind at their back and might have gone into an early lead when Morris put one just wide of the post.

South China slowly but surely took control and got their first goal in 15 minutes when Ho Cheung-yau slipped one in at the post as several defenders stood by uncertain what to do. Chu Wing-wah

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HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB

Colony Tennis Championships

Entries for the Singles and Doubles Tennis Championships close at 5 p.m. on the 9th February, and 1st Round Matches start on the 14th February.

Entry forms are obtainable from all Clubs and Sports Shops.

RUSSIANS BEAT INDIA 4-0

Now Delhi, Feb. 6. The touring Russian football team today beat India in the first international match between the two countries by four goals to nil, scoring three times before the interval.

The Russians, drawn mainly from the Moscow Dynamo and Spartak clubs, have so far won all six matches played on the tour without conceding a single goal. —Reuter.

CHOICE OF THE DARK BLUES



Here is the crew that hopes to repeat Oxford's Boat Race victory of last year. They are seen during training at Wallingford, Berkshire, and are, left to right:— Cox, I. A. Watson (Kemble), Stroke, E. V. Vine (Brasenose), No. 7, E. Pain (Lincoln), No. 6, D. P. Wells (Magdalen), No. 5, R. D. T. Raikes (Merion), No. 4, R. H. Carnegie (Magdalen), No. 3, J. M. Wilson (Trinity), No. 2, J. G. McLeod (New College), and Bow, J. A. Gobbo (Magdalen). — Reuterphoto.

WEEK-END SOFTBALL

Saints Blank The Delawares 5-0

Good softball was seen at King's Park yesterday. All matches were well fought and competition was keen. St Joseph's blanked the young Delawares 5-0 and CAA trounced U.S. Navy 11-1 in the Senior "A" League. Pandas 'B' nosed out University in a last inning rally by 10-8 and Overseas succumbed to Blackhawks 'A' 5-9 in "B" Division. In the Ladies' League Wahooks 'B' edged Pandaretties 13-11 and Wahooks 'A' received a walkover from Colteens 'A'.

Delawares played their best game of the season as they held the Pennant-holding Saints to a narrow two-run lead until the last frame where the latter rallied in three runs in blanking the former 5-0.

The ancients battled first and it was Ignar Erickson who opened the score. He was passed after one down and a wild pitch at second sent him all the way home. Dave Leonard hit a two-bagger after two out and A. Ditta was passed again. But Arturo Ozorio's infield fly ended the inning.

Delawares' turn was short. Though V. Britto was first passed and reached third on two strikes, he was left out. On the last one popped and spoiled the only scoring chance of the game.

In the third frame Saints' Benny Omar bunted safe and stole second. Dave Leonard was passed and A. Ditta left out. However, Benny Omar stole third after the ball was caught. Arturo Ozorio slammed a sizzling grounder between the shortstop and third baseman for a hit which brought Benny Omar across the plate. Onofre Souza followed with another to the centre field but Sherry Bucks lobbed high for the last out.

Both sides retired intermittently in quick succession, but in Saints' last inning Ignar Erickson got a free ticket first.

Benny Omar's powerful drive to centre put them both in scoring positions. Dave Leonard connected a solid one to right on which Ignar Erickson and Benny Omar denied the rubber. A. Ditta first fouled out. Arturo Ozorio got on first by error and Dave Leonard reached third station. They tried a double steal which succeeded in pushing Dave Leonard across but Arturo Ozorio was erased at second.

Onofre Souza next drew a walk and stole second. Sherry Bucks made a good hit to left. Onofre Souza swished past third for home. However, Sonny Azevedo, the left fielder, threw in time and nipped Souza at home plate to end the Saints' rally.

The Tribesmen tried vainly in their last turn and the game ended 5-0 in favour of the Saints.

Winning pitcher was Sherry Bucks who scattered four hits well, whiffed three and walked one. Loser Hernandez Santos yielded nine errors, five passes and fanned one. Saints' earned one and Delawares four times. U. S. Navy lost to the Athletics 1-1. However, their Athletics, Brown, did well indeed. His zipping ball held the CAA players to only five hits.

He struck out five but issued five free tickets also. However, his teammates bobbled a total of 16 times, which helped the Athletics to score five runs in the first and again in the fifth frame to win the game.

The Athletics made another run in the seventh.

The lonely run of the sailors came in the opening canto as Sheppard was safe on first when his fly was muffed and reached third on a sacrifice and a stolen. Weems pulled out another long fly for a sacrifice which scored Sheppard.

FATAL SEVENTH

Pandas Bees edged the University undergraduates in a four-run last inning rally. Though they led 4-1 in the first frame, the scholars caught up 4-5 in the third and emerged 6-5 in the fourth.

At the end of the fifth canto the Pandas' dwellers were leading 6-5. The young Cats talked once in the sixth but were still trailing two runs behind.

It was in the fatal seventh that Eddie Leung led the rally with a hunt hit. He arrived at the hot corner on a pass ball and a steal. Charlie Leung next was passed and he went to second without being played.

Bobbie Tao made a timely hit to score his brother, Eddie, but Charlie Leung was erased at third on the run. James Herick grounded to short stop who let James on but chose to nip Bobbie Tao off at third, for the second out.

James Herick reached second when the undergraduates failed to make a forced out, on Thomas Wu's infielder grounder. Jimmy made a desperate steal to third and was successful. S. C. Lee clubbed a hot roller toward the centre for another hit which the centre fielder missed and before the ball was retrieved all three of them crossed the plate. The Pandas were now up two runs and their opponents to take the game 10-3.

Blackhawks Aces downed the Overseas 9-5. The former were right on the attack from the beginning and chalked up five runs, including a three-run homer by Johnny Pereira.

The rookie Overseas then settled down and fought back inch by inch. They were only trailing 6-7 at the end of the fifth. The Hawks then pushed and France fourth with 44 points. —France-Press.

Marcus Souza finished off in the seventh 9-5 with a homer.

Wahooks Bees won Pandaretties 13-11 by a third inning six-run rally. The Chinese ladies started well in the first where they collected five runs.

Patsy Chang, the home guardian, connected a three-run homer. They added another two in the second to lead by 7-4. However, during the third canto, when the young Owls were really hitting hard, a series of miscues by the fielders ensued.

When the dust finally settled, six wise birds had circled the diamond.

From then on the Pandaretties were never able to catch up and the game ended 13-11 in favour of the Owls.

Winning Pitcher Evelyn Alonso also took the batting honours of the day with a perfect four in four, including a triple. Her teammate, Evelyn Colton, shared honours with a two in two, including also a three-bagger.

Saturday's Junior League results were:

Pandas Jr. whitewashed Wah Ying 15-0. Chucker Richard Chan was credited with a no hit no runner.

Cornets received a walkover from Overseas Jr. Blackhawks 'B' vs Lynxes was postponed.

South China Ladies, shel-lacked the Colleen Bees 37-7. Margaret Lam of the former homered.

Britain Scores Clean Sweep In Cross Country

Hannut, Belgium, Feb. 6. Headed by crack long distance runner Gordon Pirie, Britain took the first three places in the International Cross Country Championship here today.

Pirie covered the 14 kilometres—8,000 miles—in 46 minutes 5 seconds. Frank Sando was second in 43 mins. 43 secs. and Ken Norris third in 43 mins. 44 secs.

This gave Britain the Team Championship with the maximum possible score of six points. The Belgian "A" team was second with 18 points, Yugoslavia third with 24 points and France fourth with 44 points. —France-Press.

Thrilling Cricket And Close Victories In Both Divisions

By "GOOGLY"

Thrilling cricket in both Divisions, with matches being decided in the last overs of the day, was a feature of the week-end League games.

Army South improved on their position at the head of the First Division League table at the expense of Craigenower and Recrelo, hard on the heels of the leaders, shared four points with Scorpions at King's Park in a tied match.

Scorpions had the first lease of the wicket and their opener, J. G. Knight and J. A. Chestham, started off in grand style.

This partnership had yielded 42 runs when Chestham was bowled by Gerry Gosano. This was followed by a second wicket stand between Stanton and Knight. This had produced another 50 runs when the former was caught by Eddie Gosano off Ozorio's bowling.

Two wickets were down for 96 runs. Then came a complete collapse and within a space of 18 minutes seven Scorpions were back in the pavilion with only 43 runs added to their score. Their innings closed at 103.

Recrelo were given 70 minutes to get the runs and they too started off well with their first wicket falling at 40 runs. Their second fell with no score added. Then Eddie Gosano went in and had a grand knock for 29 runs before being given leg before wicket.

Another sparkling knock of 27 runs by A. P. Pereira gave the Recrelo boys hopes of a victory and runs came steadily. The score mounted up to 145 for 6 and another eight runs were needed for a victory with four wickets in hand.

Two more wickets went with only five runs added to the total and when their last man, N. Souza, went the score was tied and Souza, facing the first ball from Knight, were beautifully caught by the bowler to salvage two points for the Scorpions.

Army South pulled away from the other teams when they scored a convincing win over CCC to give them a total of 39 points to head the table.

Some spectacular bowling was seen in this match with Clark of Army taking seven CCC wickets for 33. In reply, B. Dhabar took five of the soldiers' wickets for 18 runs.

Optimists were lucky to salvage one point at Chatter Road when they held RAF to a draw. Leigh-Bennett, the skipper of the alarm, struck his old form and was top scorer in this game with 52.

Kowloon Cricket Club had no difficulty in coming home with four points against Navy.

SECOND DIVISION.

Recrelo "B", strongly positioned and pushing the RAF for leadership in the Second Division, left things rather late against the IRC "A" at Sookin-poo, when set to get only 90 runs for victory.

Recrelo lost a wicket without a run on the board, but a fine partnership between E. J. Noronha and A. P. Gutierrez carried the score to 31 before Noronha left.

Wickets suddenly started to tumble and five were down for only 63 runs.

A bright knock by M. A. Gutierrez helped the score into the seventies, but then again three quick wickets went down and Recrelo were left to get four runs for victory with two wickets in hand.

J. A. Basto, facing Ali Khan, cut one down to point, tried to sneak in a second run and was run out.

This left Eddie Loureiro facing three balls of Khan's over. He blocked two dangerous spinners from Khan and then hooked the last ball of the over, a very short one, to the midwicket fence, to give Recrelo a thrilling win.

Over on the next ground Dockyard were seriously threatening League-leading Army, batting first, scored 140. Six Dockyard wickets were down for 98, but a grand seventh wicket stand between I. Hughes and Adie was suddenly terminated when the latter was run out with Dockyard needing 28 runs for victory. Hughes followed almost immediately, trying to back a ball from Dudley, and the Dockyard tall collapsed for the addition of only seven runs.

The KGV schoolboys gained

HOW THEY STAND

First Division

Army South	15	9	3	3	0	30
Recrelo	13	7	3	2	1	32
KCC	12	7	3	2	0	30
Army North	12	7	4	1	0	29
RAF	11	6	2	3	0	27
Scorpions	12	5	2	4	1	25
Optimists	12	6	5	1	0	25
Police	13	6	6	1	0	25
CCC	12	4	8	0	0	16
Navy	12	1	10	1	0	5
University	10	0	10	0	0	0

Second Division

RAF	15	9	3	3	30
Army	14	9	3	2	38
KCC	14	8	3	3	35
Recrelo	12	8	2	2	34
Police	15	8	6	1	33
IRC "A"	13	7	5	1	29
IRC "B"	15	7	7	1	29
Dockyard	16	6	8	2	28
KGV	14	5	8	1	21
DBS	15	5	9	1	21
Navy	16	5	10	1	21
University	12	0	12	0	0

Home Soccer Standing

London, Feb. 5.

Football League standings after today's matches are:

First Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sunderland	28	10	10	8	30	35	30
Wolves	27	13	6	8	30	38	38
Manchester U.	27	13	6	8	30	38	38
Charlton	27	14	4	9	43	32	32
Manchester C.	27	13	4	10	42	31	31
Chelsea	27	13	4	10	42	31	31
Everton	27	12	7	8	42	31	31
Portsmouth	27	11	9	7	42	31	31
Hull City	27	10	7	10	42	31	31
Newcastle	27	10	7	10	42	31	31
Burnley	27	10	6	11	42	31	31
West Brom	27	10	7	10	42	31	31
Tottenham	27	10	6	11	42	31	31
Sheff Wed	27	10	6	11	42	31	31
Sheff Utd	27	10	6	11	42	31	31
Cardiff	27	10	6	11	42	31	31
Reading	27	10	6	11	42	31	31
Blackburn	27	10	6	11	42	31	31
Leicester	27	10	6	11	42	31	31
Wednesday	27	10	6	11	42	31	31

Second Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Luton Town	27	10	4	13	30	36	36
Blackburn	27	10	4	13	30	36	36
Rotherham	27	10	4	13	30	36	36
Nottingham	27	10	4	13	30	36	36
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Nottingham	27	10	4	13	30	36	36

Third Division (North)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Leighton	28	10	4	14	34	44	34
Barnsley	28	10	4	14	34	44	34
Sheff Wed	28	10	4	14	34	44	34
Sheff Utd	28	10	4	14	34	44	34
Sheff Wed	28	10	4	14	34	44	34
Sheff Utd	28	10	4	14	34	44	34
Sheff Wed	28	10	4	14	34	44	34
Sheff Utd	28	10	4	14	34	44	34
Sheff Wed	28	10	4	14	34	44	34
Sheff Utd	28	10	4	14	34	44	34

Third Division (South)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Accrington	30	10	7	13	41	43	37
Southport	30	10	7	13	41	43	37
Barnsley	30	10	7	13	41	43	37
Sheff Wed	30	10	7	13	41	43	37
Sheff Utd	30	10	7	13	41	43	37
Sheff Wed	30	10	7	13	41	43	37
Sheff Utd	30	10	7	13	41	43	37
Sheff Wed	30	10	7	13	41	43	37
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Sheff Wed	30	10	7	13	41	43	37

THE GAMBOLS



Whatever the subject
CAPTURE IT WITH.



Army Win The Pentangular Rugger Tournament, Beat Club 16-6

By "PAK LO"

Although the Pentangular Tournament still has a few weeks to run the problematical question of which team would emerge the victor has now been finally settled when, on Saturday afternoon, on the Club ground the Army clinched their claim to the title by downing the Club by 16 points (2 goals, 2 tries) to 6 points (1 try, 1 penalty goal). In a game where interest in the outcome was mainly maintained by the hard-fighting "never-say-die" attitude of the Club forwards.

In the previous encounter the Navy triumphed, rather surprisingly, over the RAF by 6 points (2 penalty goals) to 5 points (1 goal) in a closely contested match.

The Army, as a result of their win, have now a total of five points in the Pentangular Tournament, giving them a lead of seven points over their nearest rivals, the RAF and the Navy, each of whom have scored five points.

The RAF have only two games to play off, so the maximum total they can reach is nine points, whilst the Navy, with three games in hand, can only reach a total of eleven points at best.

LATEST STANDINGS

For those of you who like to check their own figures here is the latest data on the Pentangular.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Army	6	4	0	0	70	23	12
Navy	5	2	1	2	23	37	5
RAF	6	2	1	3	40	26	5
Club	5	2	0	3	22	46	4
Police	4	0	0	4	3	45	0

The main interest will therefore be concentrated in the future on the runner-up.

As can be seen from the Table either the Navy, RAF or Club could take second place, and the Navy took the most likely prospect.

In the main game of the afternoon, the Club, originally intending to play only seven men in the park, had to switch back to their old and tried eleven when Talano was unable to turn out having been injured when playing against the Combined Malayan-Singapore team.

Perhaps it was just as well for the addition of an extra man to the Club three-line would have made little difference.

The principle behind the extra man in the three-line is to spoil the attacks, but for this to succeed the three must tackle their man.

With the lone exception of Pearson, the Club's three never tackled properly once, and the Army walked through their line.

Had it not been for Petrie, the full back, whose kicking was a delight to watch, the Army would have reached an astronomical score.

Petrie's only weakness was his positioning, but this was not to be expected, and with a little study of men like Logan or Patterson, he could become a first class full-back.

MORE THAN MADE UP
The Club pack, however, more than made up for its backs. Led by Kerr they were much more dangerous in a loose, and if their three had been capable of ending the pressure on them, could have won the game.

Kerr and Kilvert were far and away the best of the Club forwards, while Farquharson was noticeable in the lineouts.

The Army pack, while it overpowered the Club in the set scrums, never showed the same power in the loose. Their work in the lineout was good, with Percy and Coley out-standing. Parkinson shone at scrum half.

Getting his three away beautifully with some neat passes, Brentford had a terrific game, cutting through, making openings and even scoring himself.

In the attack his three were brilliant, Ingall in particular shone, but in defence against the powerful Club pack they looked shaky, and were not greatly helped by Winick at full back, who never settled and had an unhappy day.

The Army kicked off, and opened with a strong attack which forced the Club back until the Army had only ten

yards to go. The ball went into touch, and the Club cleared from the lineout to the 25.

Parkinson got the ball, and tried to go through on his own, but was smothered. Then Brentford broke through but, with five yards to go to the line, passed forward and Petrie cleared in the half way line.

The Army forwards broke through with the ball at their feet to the Club 25. They won the lineout and off went the Army three and Kirtelton cut through and passed on to Ingall.

The pass was forward by at least SIX FEET, but the referee was unright and allowed play to go on and Ingall scored well out. The conversion was missed, 3-0.

A GREAT PITY
After the game even the players admitted this pass was forward and it is a great pity it was allowed for it gave the Army an incentive.

Ingall added another three points a few minutes later when he intercepted a pass and ran a good 40 yards to score under the posts. The Club backs waved at him as he ran past them. The conversion was missed.

The Club now began to press and on the Army 35 were awarded a penalty narrowly missed. Midfield play followed for some time, then the Club forwards, led by Kerr and Kilvert, took the ball at their feet but kicked a little too far ahead and the ball bounced over the dead ball line.

The Club forwards kept up the pressure, but sooner or later their forward rushes were stopped, and they had to heel the ball. They might as well have handed it direct to the Army for the Club halves were all thumbs, and could not take a ball cleanly.

A long Brentford kick sent play to the Club half and Parkinson sent his three away from the lineout. Brentford cut through, and passed on to Cunningham, who passed to Edwards, who after a few yards passed to Cunningham again, but the latter pass was forward and from the resultant scrum the Club cleared just before half time.

SECOND HALF
The second half started with a Club attack, and Petrie missed a long penalty from 35 yards out, and the ball went into touch.

In the lineout Russell forced his way through, then passed to Slack who was well tackled. A scrum resulted. The Club heeled and Cole took the ball and went through on the open side, but the Army, who were expecting a blind side break, off guard, and scored well out. Petrie missed the conversion by the proverbial cat's whisker, 6-3.

This did not suit the Army's book at all, and only a few minutes later they sent their three off. Edwards tore down the wing, passed in to Cunningham, but Kilvert with a glorious tackle saved the day. The ball was cleared upfield, but Brentford took it from the loose and ran through the Club backs fairly easily to score under the posts.

To add insult to injury, he then added another two points by converting his own try, 11-3.

Four minutes passed before the Army scored again, when Kirtelton went tearing down the wing from a lineout about 35 yards out, passed inside to Edwards who scored under the posts. Coley converted 16-3.

The Army three kept up the pressure until the pack, led by Kerr, rescued their backs with a good foot rush to within five yards of the Army line.

The Army were awarded a penalty, for offside, but did not find touch, and Spencer gathered and sent the forwards away again to the 10-yard line.

In the lineout the Army were off-side and Petrie took and converted to make the score 16-6.

With the Club forwards once more on the warpath the game finally closed.

NAVY v RAF
In the previous game between the Navy and the RAF the play was scrappy at times as the ball stayed mostly among the forwards.

In the RAF side Morgan played a magnificent game and stopped many dangerous Navy rushes. Woolf also shone, particularly in the loose and round the scrums.

In the lineout Lamb was a tower of strength. Neither set of backs impressed greatly and though both got plenty of chance they never managed to dash off their moves.

Tau and Hewitt did well for the Navy, but only Gannon for the RAF, once he got going, looked like scoring.

Cogan, a last minute substitute for Moore, never settled and had a poor day. Both Logan and Lloyd, the full backs, were very steady while in the Navy pack Harrison and Annandale were the stars.

Play remained midfield for a while with the RAF doing most of the attacking until from a penalty the Navy cleared upfield to the RAF 25. From there the three started a good move which ended with a delightful run by Steward who, with five yards to go, ran into a flying tackle from Logan.

A scrum followed and the RAF wing forwards went round the scrum too fast, and found themselves offside. Annandale took the kick and scored to give the Navy a three-point lead, 3-0.

Shortly after this score first Annandale, and then Logan missed long penalty kicks, just before half time. In the second half play swung back and forth between the two 25s, until with the Navy on the RAF 25 Morgan of the RAF took the ball from the loose and with a beautiful punt found touch ten yards from the Navy line.

Miller got the ball in the lineout and the three swept up the field. Logan joined in the movement, and crashed his way through. He was tackled as he crossed the line and the ball went loose but Gannon following up touched it down. Morgan converted, 3-5.

The Navy pressed with Harrison showing up well, but it was not until Sleeman was injured that the Navy got another chance to score. Sleeman's deputy was penalised for "feet up" but Harrison missed. Almost immediately after the RAF were again penalised, this time for offside round the scrum, and Annandale scored with a lovely kick, 6-5.

The RAF put all their energy into a last minute attack and it looked as if they had succeeded when about 35 yards from the line they were awarded a penalty for offside. Morgan missed by fractions of an inch and the game was over.

FRIDAY GAME
On Friday the Combined Malayan-Singapore XV overcame the Combined Services by 6 points to 3 points in a really fine game.

One point of interest was the large crowd which turned up for this game and its predecessor on Thursday.

Even allowing for the fact that there were important games the attendance was excellent and I offer the suggestion that many more mid-week games be played under the floodlights next season.

Even though the Saturday games were held in the evening it might allow many rugby followers who are also racegoers to attend both the races and the games.

Also from the players' point of view it would surely be preferable to play in the cool of the evening rather than during the heat of the afternoon.

Regular football games might promote even more interest in the game than at present. Under the floodlights there appears to be the optical illusion that the game is played at a very much faster rate, and this will also engender greater interest, making for livelier games.

AN ERROR
I must apologise for an error in that column the other day. The local Inter-Unit Knockout Competition Final is on Tuesday, February 8, at 4 p.m. at Sookunpo, not on March 3.

On March 3 the game is between the winner of Tuesday's game and the Singapore-Malayan winners of their Tournament.

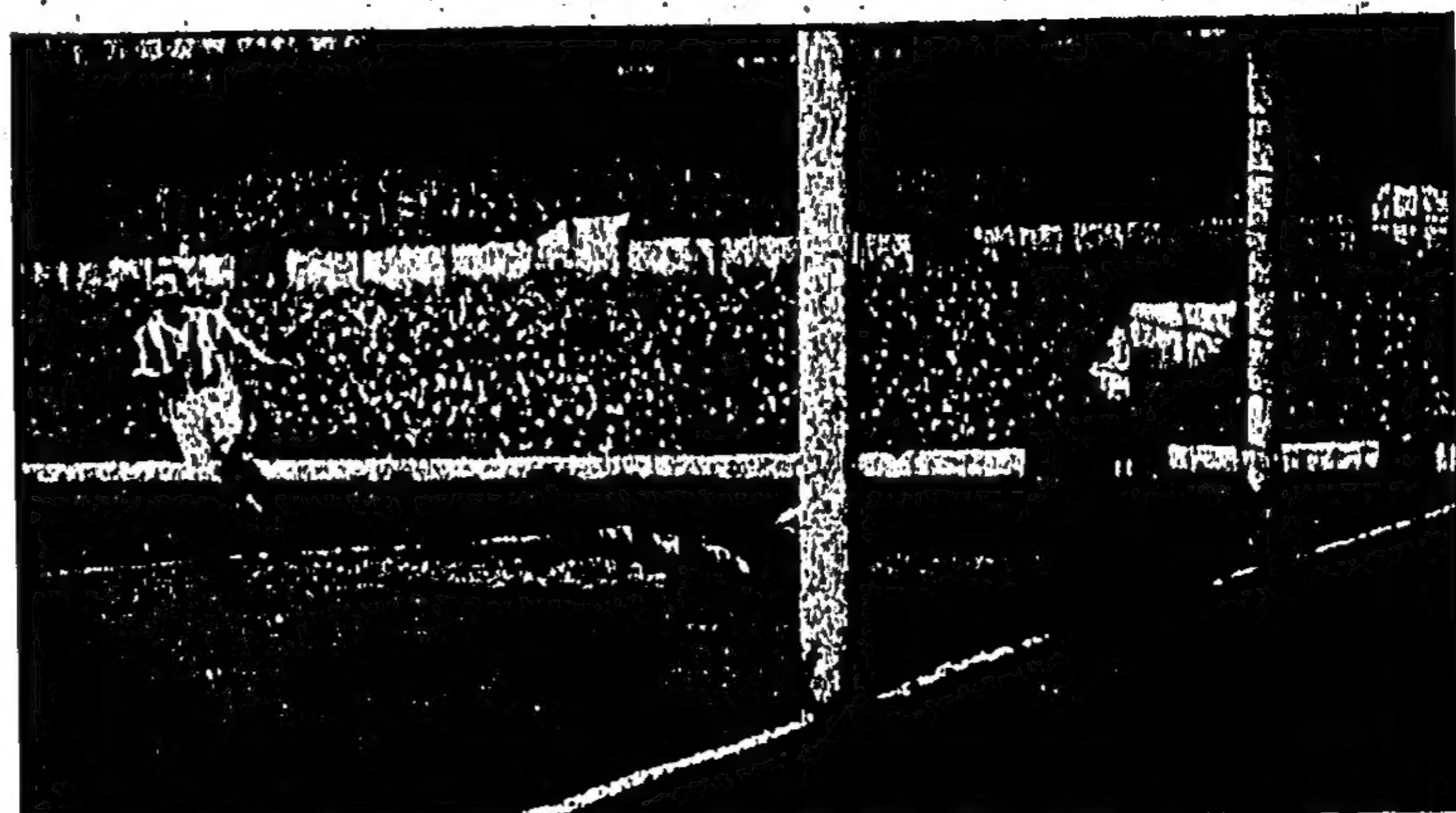
THE TEAMS
RAF: Logan, Gannon, Brown, Cogan, Cogan, McGarry, Smith, McDonald, Sleeman, Miller, Lamb, Morgan, Davies, Brightwell, Woolf.

Navy: Lloyd, Tai, Fleet, Seymour-East, Hiss, Sheering, Newman, Annandale, Harrison, Cogan, Cogan, Cogan.

Army: Winick, Edwards, Cunningham, Kirtelton, Ingall, Brentford, Parkinson, Bevan, Thomas, Barker, Thindell, Winnist, Ferry, McGarry, Coley, Hill.

Club: Petrie, Spencer, Brown, Pannam, Stone, Hickson, Gault, Black, Russell, Barker, Kerr, Hargrove, Campbell, Farquharson, Kilvert.

SPURS OPEN THE SCORING



With Port Vale goalie King lying prone, the ball shoots into the net as Tottenham Hotspur open the scoring with a goal from inside-left Brooks during the FA Cup fourth round match at Tottenham. Spurs won 4-2.—Reuterphoto.

CHU MING SCORES MEAGRE 24 POINTS IN LAST EVENT, WINS COLONY PENTATHLON

By "RECORDER"

Chu Ming, South China's Long Jump star, won the third Annual HKAAA Pentathlon Championship at Caroline Hill yesterday with a respectable total of 2,006 points after a laborious 1,500 Metres run in 5 minutes 43.5 seconds which netted him just 24 points.

Li Paul Miller of the Army AAA, a recent arrival in the Colony, was 283 points in arrears of University's Ng Chuan-wai after four events, but with a very respectable 4 minutes 35.6 seconds in the 1,500 Metres scored an additional 454 points to finish second with a total of 1,898.

G. Rogers, also of the Army AAA, proved to be the real "dark horse" of the competition, and scoring steadily if not spectacularly throughout, finished third with 1,784 points.

Chuan-wai, after doing well below his best in the 100m and 200m, where he was expected to pick up points, finished fourth with 1,732 points after only scoring five points in the "Metric Mile".

Other scores were: Ho Hui-po 1,596; D. Greasley 1,442; D. J. Shepherd-Ashley 1,380; Cheung Chek-yin 1,305; and P.A. Ellis 1,012.

Chu Ming started well with a solid 710 points for a 22 ft. 2 1/2 inches long jump, a magnificent leap under the atrocious run-up conditions. Ng Chuan-wai was not far behind with 21 ft. 9 inches.

Both Chu and Ng lost valuable points on the long jump. Neither of them, as Li Miller led with 147 feet 6 inches, which he admitted was just about the best throw he has ever accomplished.

Ho Hui-po, former Colony 400 Metres Hurdles Champion, after coming a cropper with a 16-foot Long Jump, came second here with an amazing 139 feet for the first ever competitive throw of his career. His other two throws were absolutely non-hostile and he is still wondering where the first came from.

Chu Ming won the 200 Metres in 24.2 seconds, with Ho Hui-po second at 25.1, Ng Chuan-wai following at 25.2, and Li Miller content with 26.3. Rogers turned in a 25.6 that passed unnoticed at this stage, but the standings after three events were: Chu Ming 1,680; Ng Chuan-wai 1,430; Rogers 1,300; Ho Hui-po 1,183 and Li Miller 1,117.

HISTORICAL
Despite the fact that the discus was found to be an ounce or two underweight, the first time in history that a discus was weighed on a city scale, the throwing was extremely poor and below the normal standards of the two favourites.

None of the final leading five went over 100 feet. Ho Hui-po being the winner in this section with 28.72 metres (about 95 feet) and Miller being slightly ahead of both Chu Ming and Ng Chuan-wai.

Li Miller had entered the competition with some reputation as a middle distance runner, a reputation that no other of the entries shared to the slightest degree. On a top-loose but otherwise almost concrete track he turned in a fast 4:35.8 that moved him up from fifth to second.

The placings after four events had been: Chu Ming 1,882; Ng Chuan-wai 1,727; Rogers 1,571; Ho Hui-po 1,531; Li Miller 1,444.

Rogers, with a modest 5:07.8 for 271 points, maintained his third place as Ho Hui-po, Chu Ming and Ng Chuan-wai all lost heavily.

This was the first time that the standard Olympic Pentathlon events were involved in the Colony Championship, and scores followed the Helsinki Olympic Decathlon tables.

By international standards, Chu Ming was doing well, if not

extraordinarily so, after four events and a total of 2,006 points, possibly place in the national championships of quite a few European countries, but is still two or three hundred points behind the record of even Luxembourg and Venezuela.

Upset Rugger Victory For Scotland Against Wales

Edinburgh, Feb. 5.

Scotland gained an upset victory over Wales by 14 points to eight here today to end a run of 17 successive International Rugby Union defeats.

Trailing by a try to nothing at the interval, Scotland rallied splendidly to win by one goal, one dropped goal, one penalty goal and a try to one goal and a try by Wales.

There were scenes of wild enthusiasm when the final whistle sounded. Thousands of excited Scottish supporters poured on to the Murrayfield pitch and swarmed round the players to congratulate them on a display which upset all predictions.

Scotland had not won an International Rugby match since her equally unexpected 10-0 win over Wales four years ago. And as on that occasion, it was a brilliantly kicked dropped goal which put Scotland on the path to triumph.

Wales opened the scoring five minutes after the start with an unconverted try by wing three-quarter T. J. Brower.

It was not until ten minutes after the interval that Scotland drew level in a dramatic fashion when a new "cap" A. R. Smith, scored a try after a great solo effort which started 10 yards inside his own half.

Eight minutes later, to the huge delight of their supporters, Scotland went ahead through the goal, coolly dropped by fly-half J. T. Docherty. Up to this point, play had been very little shape; there had been very few movements and far too many penalties. But with Scotland ahead, play lived up to considerably with Scotland on top.

FINE LATE RALLY
Angus Cameron, the Scottish fullback and captain put his side 6-3 in front with a penalty goal but then Wales staged a fine late rally which resulted in a try six minutes from the end. Rees Stephens converted. Scotland held doggedly to their slender one point lead and in the dying minutes set-half J. A. Nichol, made (the issue safe with an opportune try, converted by Cameron).

While one could not begrudge the Scots their success, Wales had themselves to blame for defeat. The speeding Welsh pack got the ball from the set scrums more than twice out of three and their backs always looked to possess the greater kick.

Yet they committed "countless blunders and errors" and gained the lead, the Scots were the better side.

HOME RUGGER

Middlesex And Lancashire In County Final

London, Feb. 5.

Middlesex, the holders, reached the final of the Rugby Union County Championship when they beat Cornwall 10-3 at Redruth today.

For the second successive year, their final opponents will be Lancashire who defeated Leicestershire by three points to nothing in the other semi-final today at Blundell-sands. The match will be on March 12 probably at Twickenham.

Middlesex who have now reached the last stage of the competition four times in the last five seasons, had eight internationals in their side including six of the current England team. They always looked the class side and led 5-0 at the interval.

The West Countrymen put up a spirited fight and with their defence and covering first class, they had the better of the second half territorially.

Lancashire's winning points came from a first half try by Bazley, the best effort of the match.

Lancashire won because of their superior passing and tactics but Leicestershire played hard at times and frequently appeared likely to equalise.

Rogan at Sythall and Bazley on the wing were Lancashire's best men frequently troubling their opponents with fine pace and elusive running. Leicestershire's best were fullback Small, Shepherd on the wing, and Jenkins, Barton and Smith, joined a very fine pack consistently well.

DAZZLING FORM
F. D. Sykes, England three quarter, who played in all three England trials this season without getting a cap, was in dazzling form for Northampton, who beat a weakened Harlequins side. He scored three tries and made the other one for J. Taylor with a run of 50 yards.

Leicester accomplished one of the day's best performances when, without eight of their regular players engaged in their county in the championship game, they beat London Scottish.

Cardiff were hard pressed to beat Bristol by a three points margin, a different story to their 38 to 3 win three weeks earlier.

In beating London Welsh at Herne Hill, Bedford accomplished what only two Welsh teams, Llanelli and Newport, had done previously this season.

Two penalty goals played notable part in Coventry's win against Guy's Hospital, who were well below full strength.

Blackheath continued their recent improvement when defeating co-tenants of the Rectory Field, London Irish.

A greasy ball and mud handicapped Cambridge at home to the heavier Army team, who won by a goal to a penalty goal, Cambridge having led at half-time.—Reuter.

THE RESULTS
Rugby Union results today were:
Scotland 14 Wales 8
County Championship Semi-Finals
Cornwall 3 Middlesex 10
Lancashire 3 Leicestershire 0
Guy's Hospital 9 Coventry 9
London Irish 10 Blackheath 5
London Scottish 8 Leicester 11
London Welsh 8 Bedford 11
Old 11 Aldershot 11
Cranleigh 9 Services 11
Ruslyn Park 3 London Hospital 3
St. Mary's 3 Mullhills 5
Hospital 3 St. Thomas's Hospital 3
Saracens 3 (Portsmouth)
Worcester 3 Richmond 3
Aberavon 3 Aberllynny 3
Birkenhead 3 Hoveley 3
Bridgewater and 3 Weston-Super-Mare 3
Albion 3 Mares 3
Bristol 3 The Army 3
Cambridge U. 3 Heath 3
Cross Keys 3 Bedford Service 3
Gloucester 11 Swansea 3
Halifax 3

THE SCORES
Total 120
Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-7; 3-23; 4-24; 5-32; 6-32; 7-32; 8-32; 9-32; 10-32.
Bowling Analysis
Campbell 0 7 21 0
Down 0 11 2 0
De Brunnier 0 10 19 0
Cromley 0 2 0 19 0
Nelson 0 2 0 19 0
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank 4
Lover, Ibb Pereira 4
Hutton, B. Pereira 4
Fridman, C. Smith, B. Holdsworth 4
Nelson, B. Pereira 4
Rogers, C. Dodwell, B. Pereira 4
Campbell, B. Holdsworth 4
Bruckman, C. Dodwell, B. Pereira 4
Cromley, C. & B. Dodwell 4
Lewis, not out 10
De Brunnier, played on 2
Pereira 2
Balfour, C. Chubb, B. Pereira 2
Extras 18

INTER-SCHOOL SOCCER
The following are the results of Inter-School Football matches played yesterday:
Senior
St. Louis 2 Wah Yan HK 1
King's 3 St. Stephen's 2
Wah Yan Kln. 1 Clement 4
King George V 2 Aberdeen 0
Queen's 1 St. Martin's 0
Pool Sun 1 Queen Elizabeth 0

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Forces Road Show
Inter-school Softball
Young Officers Dance
Boys Brigade Inspection
Tung Wah Charity Ball
Colony Pentathlon Championship
Presentation and Cocktail Party at K.B.C.C.
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Ron Beck Wins Macao Cycle Race
Macao, Feb. 6.
Hongkong made a clean sweep today of the first three places in Macao's first bicycle race over the 3.9 miles track of the Guia-Circuit, where the first Motor Grand Prix in the Far East was staged last year.

British servicemen from Hongkong finished in one, two, three order as follows:
1. Beck of Pegasus Cycling Club Hongkong.
2. Wilkinson, of Cygnets Cycling Club, Hongkong.
3. Gower of Cygnets Cycling Club, Hongkong.

Twenty of the 30 entries were from Hongkong—16 British Army and four Chinese. Macao's 10 competitors were all from the Portuguese Army.

The Governor of Macao, Rear-Admiral Joaquim Marques Esparteiro, and High Macao officials, were among the thousands of spectators witnessing the race, which got under way at 2.30 p.m. after the Governor's daughter, Senhorinha Maria Helena Marques, had cut the starting tape.

Beck won the "Race Governor" Trophy presented by the Governor for the first individual home.—Reuter.

Sports Diary
TODAY
Colony Squash Championships (Semi-finals) at Victoria Barracks 6.30 p.m.
Bathampton
School Badminton Championships at Grantham Training College at 6 p.m.
Meeting
HKFA Council Meeting 5.45 p.m.
TOMORROW
Squash
Army Championships commence.
HKFAA Council Meeting Club
Luisiano 6.15 p.m.
N/AE 40 Int. Division Athletics Meeting Division Street.
WEDNESDAY
Football
Inter-school League King's Park.
Meeting
HK Badminton Meeting Marina House 6.30 p.m.
Athletics
25 Field Regiment Athletic Meeting Boundary Street 2.30 p.m.
School Championships at Queen's College.

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An international Jewish organisation today expressed "serious concern" over the way the Government of Chancellor Konrad Adenauer was carrying out the West German programme to indemnify Jewish victims of Nazi persecution.

The Board of Directors of the Conference on "Jewish Material Claims Against Germany," grouping 22 member organisations, voted unanimously to convey its misgivings to Chancellor Adenauer.

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For a Nelson (South Island) woman the streets of her city were paved with pound notes.
She picked up a £5 note, saw others nearby, and was soon busy in a paper-chase that yielded a listful of notes worth £50 sterling.
She was able to return them later to a woman who lost the cash while shopping. — China Mail Special.

VENEZUELA WANTS JET PLANES

Caracas, Feb. 6.
The Defence Minister, Senor Oscar Mazzei, said today that Venezuela was shopping for American and British jet warplanes to strengthen its air force.
Senor Mazzei also repeated Foreign Minister Aureliano Otazco's recent assurance that Venezuela's natural resources — notably oil and iron — would be at the disposal of the Western world in any fighting that might arise from the current Formosa crisis.

In response to a Press conference question about what Venezuela is doing to protect her natural resources, Senor Mazzei said negotiations were underway with British aircraft manufacturers for the purchase of Vampire and Venom jet fighters and twin-jet Canberra light bombers.

The Defence Minister said also that he hoped to get some U.S.-built F-46 jets or comparable lighter planes from "some friendly country." — United Press.

NO DISPUTES WITH THIS CAMERA

Geneva, Feb. 6.

A revolutionary invention combining chronometer and camera, which provides complete proof of the most closely disputed finish of any sporting event, has been perfected by one of Switzerland's oldest and best known watch companies.

This invention, known as a Chronocinegine, not only films any sporting event at speeds of up to 100 frames per second, but also records the time on each frame of film up to 100th of a second.

A special portable, hand-operated developing device, capable of processing the film in 90 seconds, completes this novel combination, which is absolutely self-contained, occupies a minimum of space and can be easily installed at any sports ground, or moved from one ground to another.

The whole equipment, consisting of clock, camera, battery and processing tank, can be loaded into three light aluminium cases.

THE BRAIN

The brain of the unit is a high-precision electric quartz clock, which is made in the famous watch-making town of St. Imier, in the Jura Mountains, and worked by a standard 12-volt motorcar battery.

The same portable also provides the power for a syn-chronised motor-camera, driven and time counter, as well as heating the coils in the thermostatically controlled film processing tank.

The eye of the chronocinegine is a special camera adapted to film at 25, 50 or 100 frames per second, according to the speed of the event to be recorded.

A small image of the time counter controlled by the quartz clock is projected by means of a prism and lens system on to the film and is photographically registered on each frame of the film indicating the time intervals at one 25th, one 50th or 100th of a second.

The reels for the film—the camera can be modified to take

standard 16-millimetre black and white negative film—in-clude a rapid release film spool. This greatly facilitates the work of processing the film in the miniature portable "dark room."

After the film is developed, the judge or judges can view it through a small specially designed hand viewer which enlarges and illuminates each frame.

ANY SPEED

The judge can unroll the film strip through the viewer at any speed he chooses, forwards or back-wards, at the same time reading the times recorded photographically on each frame.

Set above and looking down on the finishing line, the eye of the Chronocinegine takes in an area of the track, or course, on both sides of the line.

With a large field of starters, and an ensuing concentrated finish, the apparatus records chronometrically and photo-graphically the arrival of all the racers from some yards before the finish right up to and past the tape.

One great advantage of the chronocinegine is that each frame of film gives an absolutely positive and clear cut picture without any of the distortion habitually seen in the present system of photographing close finishes at high speed.

This is due to an entirely new principle in the camera shutter design of the apparatus which does away with the slotted shutter mechanism used today in sport. So much superior is the new principle that its designers have patented a three-dimensional version.

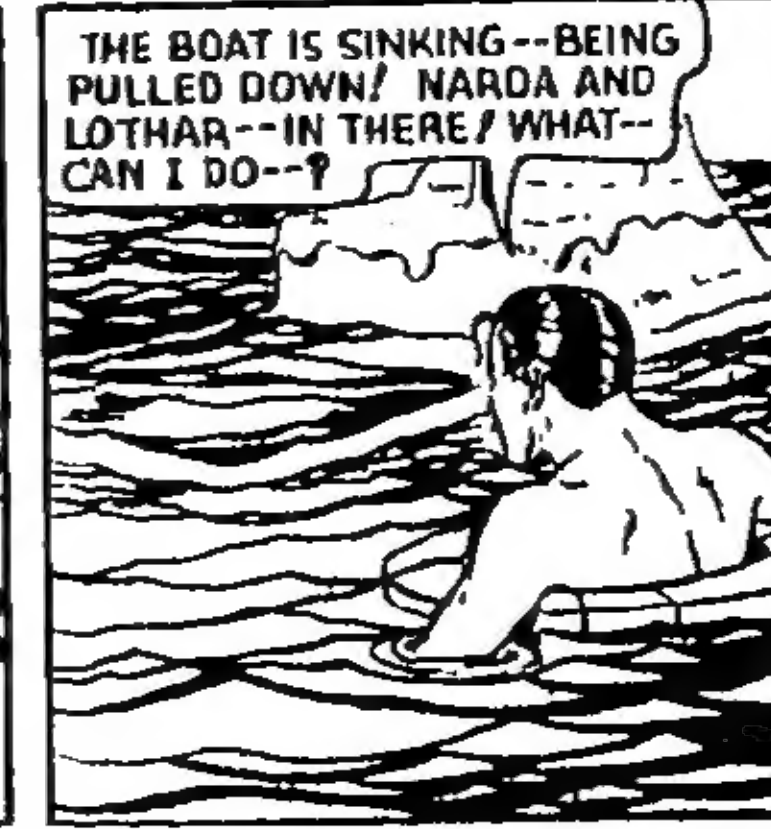
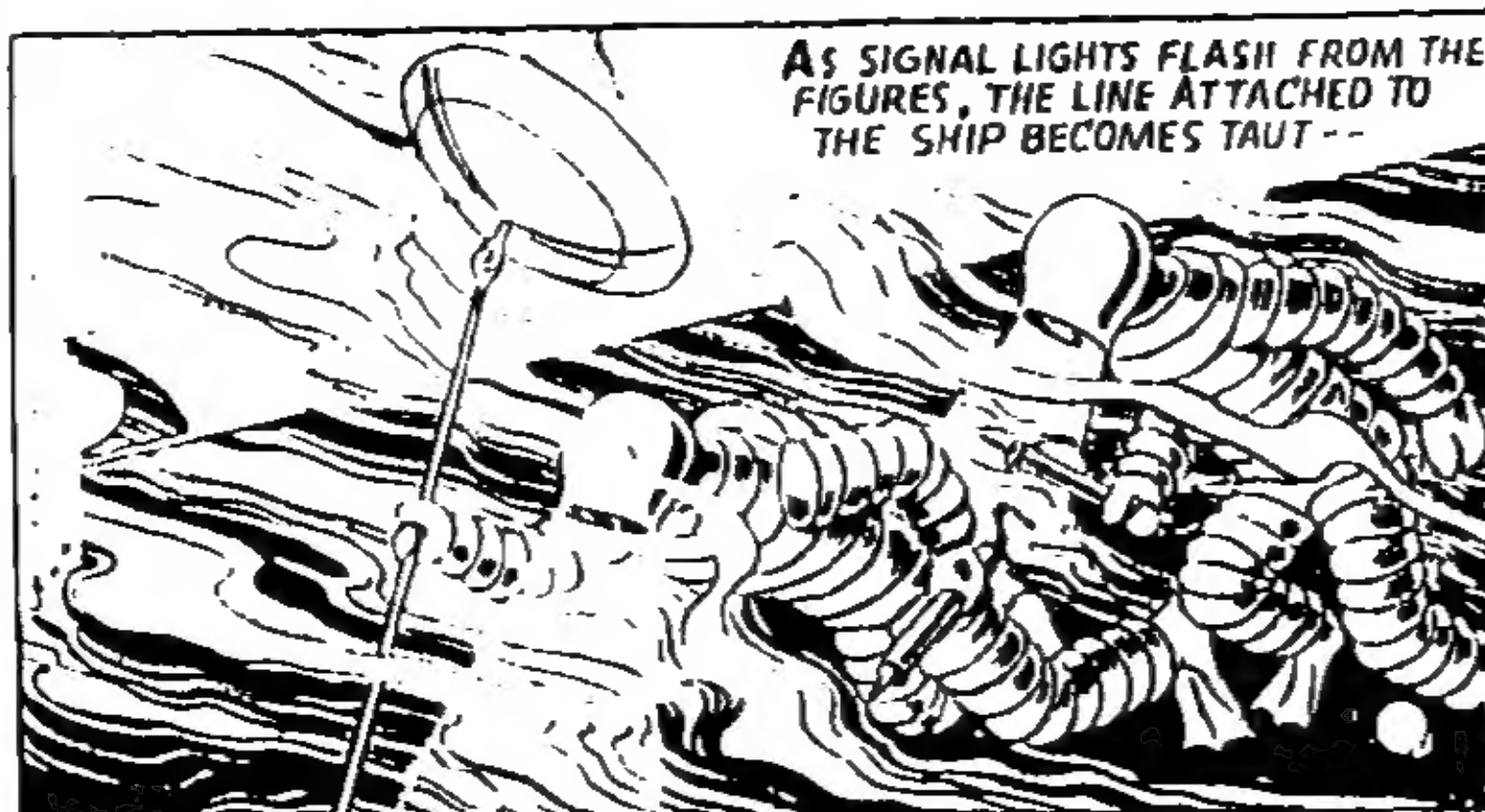
IN OTHER FIELDS

This new apparatus will also have many scientific and industrial applications outside the field of sport.

Because of its extreme portability and accuracy, road engineers and traffic experts have already shown marked interest in the invention for analysing the flow of traffic. — China Mail Special.

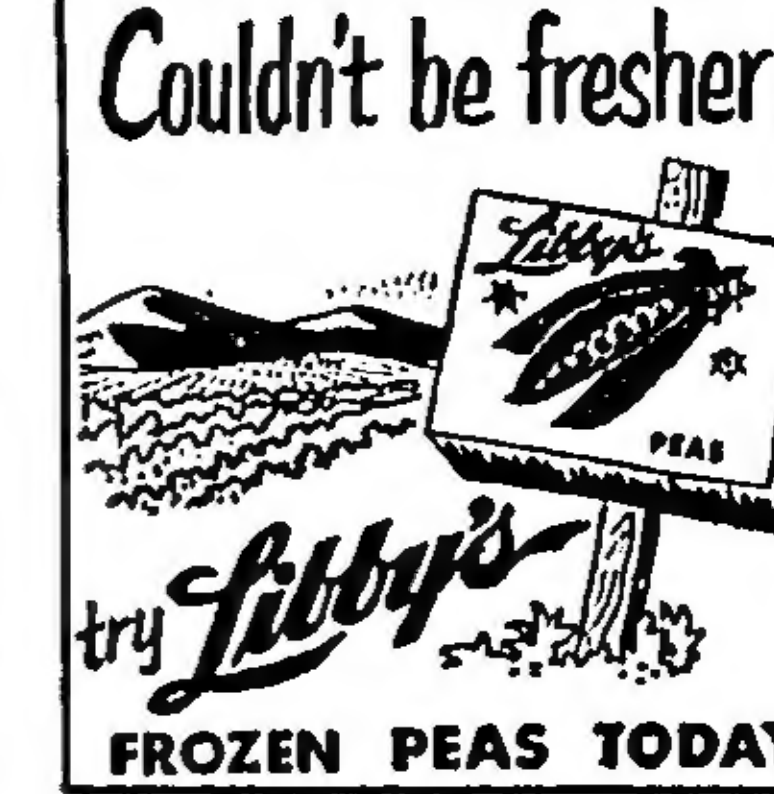
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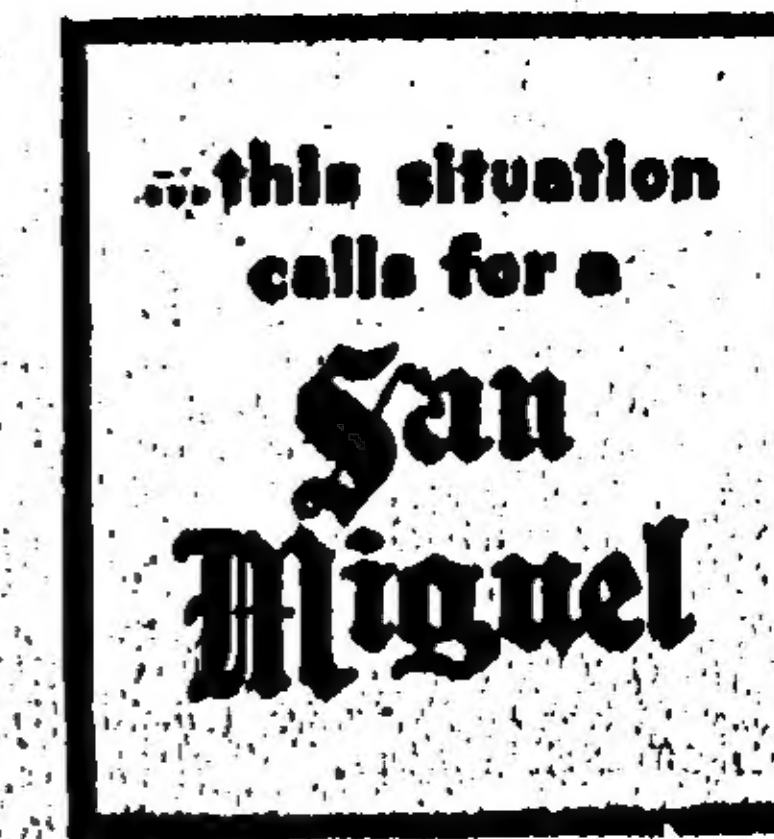
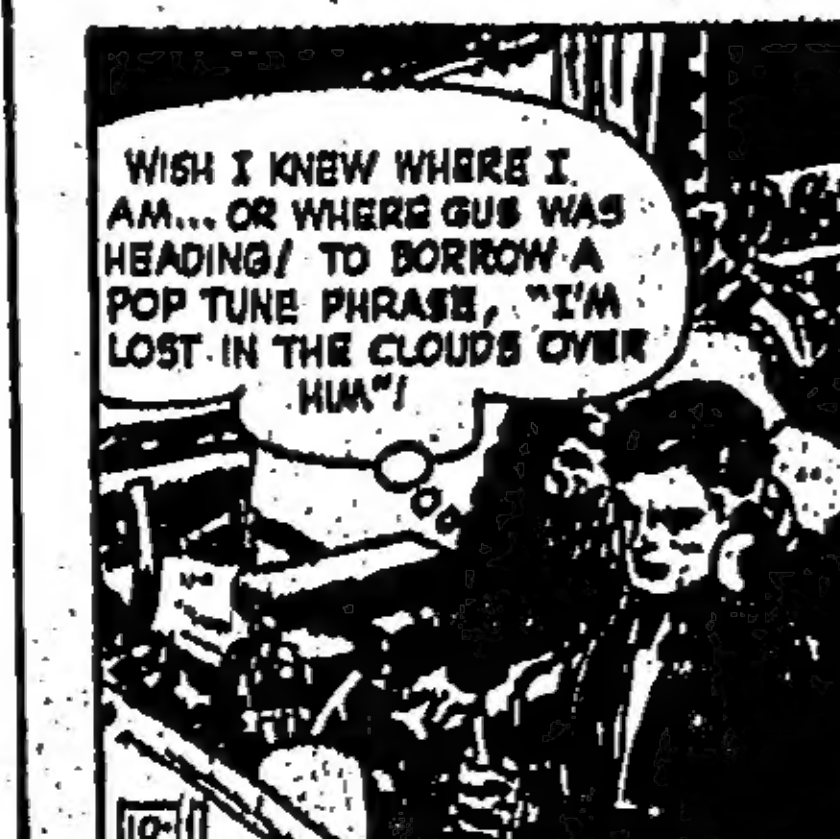
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GRANT FOR BOY SCOUTS

London, Feb. 7.
The Boy Scouts Association is to receive grants totalling £50,000 from the King George VI Foundation, a memorial fund for the late King, subscribed from all over the world.

The Association said today the main object of the grants was the expansion of existing facilities for the training of leaders and potential leaders.

Bursaries of £5,000 will enable selected leaders to study and work with Boy Scouts in other parts of the British Commonwealth. — Reuter.

Meteorological Conference: Peking Protest

London, Feb. 6.
Mr Tu Chang-wang, Director of the Meteorological Office of China, today protested to the Meteorological Organisation for refusing to accept the representative of People's China at its Asian Regional Conference which opened in Delhi four days ago and for permitting the Nationalist Chinese delegate to attend. The New China News Agency reported tonight.

The protest describes this as "entirely unlawful and unjust."

"I am instructed by the Government of China to lodge a serious protest against it," Mr Tu said.

The protest was sent to the acting Secretary of the Organisation in Geneva. — Reuter.

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Room Service

LONDON is rich in small hotels, some quite obscurely placed in the city's geography, some half hidden upon major high-ways, which rarely trumpet their virtues and yet provide all kinds of excellencies in service to those who have discovered them.

At one such hotel, Donald worked. He worked backstairs, and in a modest enough capacity. But he caught the spirit of the place, which said in effect that the least whim of the humblest guest who was sheltered under its roof, should be heeded as if it were a royal command.

RELUCTANT GUEST

WORKING in the hotel, Donald learned something of the meaning of the word "reluctant," though not all, evidently, for, the other evening, he was arrested in the Strand for being drunk.

But arrested he was, and put into a cell at Bow Street police station, and there he had time to reflect that for once his role was that of guest, instead of host's employee. He decided to put to the test what he at most persuaded himself was a rival antagonist to his quiet hotel. He rang the bell that was provided.

A SONG

BY that time there was a song in Donald's heart that demanded fuller expression. Donald gave voice. He became a singer, and in the capture of his singing, that he did not notice when his cell door was opened by the guard.

"Well," said the guard, "what do you want?"

"Cherry ripe, cherry ripe, I sing," Donald sang.

"I said what did you want?" the guard said.

But Donald was too lost in song, still, to notice. The guard left, locking the cell-door after him.

When Donald's song was ended, he noticed he was alone, that his bell-push summons seemed not to have been answered. Remembering how punctilious they were about such things in his hotel, anger surged over him. "I'll show them," he muttered to himself. "I'll show him the meaning of service."

STRONG MEASURES

HE picked up the mattress from the bunk, folded it and climbed on top of it. Then, taking off a shoe, he beat out the pane of glass above the cell-door. "That'll teach them not to answer bells," he muttered to himself. "That'll bring 'em."

It did.

Next morning at the court, next door to the police station, Donald pleaded guilty to the charge of having been drunk, not guilty to that of doing 25s. worth of malicious damage to the cell window.

The story was told to Mr. E. G. Robey.

"It is quite possible," said the gaoler, "when I called to answer this man's ringing he did not hear me go into the cell because he was singing so loudly."

CREDIT GRANTED

"JUST asked for a glass of water, didn't I?" Donald demanded.

"He didn't ask for anything," the gaoler said. "He just sang."

Donald turned to the magistrate. "It was just I couldn't get any attention," he said. "I only wanted a glass of water."

He had no more to say.

"You will pay 5s. for being drunk, 10s. for the wilful damage, and 25s. compensation for the damage you did," said the magistrate.

Heatily, Donald asked: "Can I have time to pay?"

And this was granted—but not until a few inquiries had been made about him, a few discreet inquiries of the kind a hotel might make before extending credit to departing guests.

SCHOOLGIRL BECOMES AUTHOR



Eleven-year-old French-speaking Swiss girl, Anne Brailard has become an author. Her book of fairy tales "Daudillet" has been published in Geneva. The book has made such a success that it has been arranged for a translation to be published in the USA, followed by further editions in Britain, France, Germany and other countries. Anne is pictured writing her second book "Anne at School."—London Express.

Nightmare Sea Trip For Three

Miami, Feb. 6. Two men and a pretty blonde today described a nightmare at sea which ended when the cruise ship Queen of Nassau saw their distress flares and rescued them from their sinking sloop.

Dixon Gross, 26, television engineer from Newark, New Jersey, Bernard Larsen, 27, mechanical engineer from Danville, New Jersey, and Miss May Seide, 25, of Lincoln Park, New Jersey, flew here yesterday from Nassau.

They were taken to the Bahaman city after the cruise ship picked them up about midway between Nassau and Miami.

"We were plenty scared," said Gross. "We just about tipped before we saw the Queen of Nassau and it was even worse when we got alongside the cruise ship."

WOUND UP IN OCEAN "It was, to tell you, it took the sailors about an hour to get us aboard and I wound up in the ocean."

The three said they had planned a leisurely cruise from Nassau to Miami in their chartered 25-foot sloop when a storm hit on Friday morning.

From then on, Gross said, "it was just a matter of holding on as long as we could and hoping the storm would end."

The men agreed that "May was magnificent."

"She was as brave as we were and kept telling us everything would be all right," said Gross.

He said it was a "million in one chance" that a lookout on the Queen of Nassau happened to spot their flares. He said they "couldn't have lasted another minute in those waves."

—United Press.

Speaks With No Voice

Cleveland, Ohio, Feb. 6. A businessman with no voice yesterday to show how therapy helped him overcome the effects of cancer of the throat.

George Stein of Bloomington, Pennsylvania, talked 10 minutes to some 400 fund campaign executives at the annual meeting of the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Stein has no voice in the proper sense. He forces lungfuls of air through what once was his voice box, and formed words with his mouth and tongue as the air comes out. He inhales through a hole in his neck.

Mr. Stein, 52, said the person who had lost his voice wanted more than anything else to be able to talk. That was the force, he said, that led him through tortuous exercises until he was at last able to make others understand him.—United Press.

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Japan, 6 p.m.
Thailand, 6 p.m.
Malaya, Indonesia, 6 p.m.
Pakistan, France, 6 p.m.
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

By Air

Philippines, 9 a.m.
Formosa, 10 a.m.
Japan, Hawaii, 11 a.m.
N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 11 a.m.
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Italy, Germany, Great Britain, 2 p.m.
Formosa, Japan, Okinawa, USA & Canada, 3 p.m.
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Fire Destroys Dormitory

Orangeburg, S.C., Feb. 6. A fire destroyed a women's dormitory at the Claflin College for Negroes early today, forcing 164 co-eds to flee into a freezing cold rainstorm in their nightclothes.

There were no casualties, but authorities said the girls lost all their belongings and the \$100,000 building was destroyed.

The fire was believed to have started in the dormitory attic at about 4:30 a.m. By the time firemen arrived, the top of the three-story brick building was in flames, but the girls had dashed downstairs and down fire escapes into the rain.

An official of the little 80-year-old Methodist Negro college said the school of the girls were hysterical.

"I never heard such screaming in all my life," said a fireman.—United Press.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. 6 p.m. Time Signal and programme Summary: 6:30, Children's Half Hour presented by Joan and Valerie (Studio); 6:50, Australian Trade Critique—The Fortnightly Review (Studio); 7:00, Weather Report; 7:10, Time Signal and World News (London Relay); 7:20, Commercial (London Relay) or Special Announcements; 7:30, "Box 200" (Studio); 7:40, Organ (Studio); 7:50, Melodrama—A Monthly Magazine. Edited and introduced by Timothy (Studio); 8:00, Flirtation—Robert Farnon and his Orchestra; 8:20, "First a Whisker—Then a Claw" Programme about the cat; 8:30, Poetry and Music. Arranged and produced by Margaret Denholm. (Recorded); 8:40, Time Signal; 8:50, The Law and Liberty; 9:00, Speaker: The Rt. Hon. Sir Harry Swire, G.C.S.I., M.P. 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